The Mapleton Item.

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LOCAL NOTES.

—*The Smart Set* magazine will entertain you.

—Have you read that very interesting magazine, *The Smart Set*?

—Choice timothy and clover seed for sale at B. O'Connor & Sons.

—S. B. Neice and family spent Sunday with friends in Huntingdon.

—Real enjoyment is had when reading that clever magazine, *The Smart Set*.

—Fresh meat, old meats—city cured—for sale at J. B. McClain's meat market.

—Miss Mary Spanogle, of Huntingdon, visited her sister, Mrs. W. E. Hack, last Sunday.

—Special line of men's women's and children's shoes at reduced prices. Shapiro Bros.

—Mrs. William Howe and daughter, of Altoona, were guests of S. W. McDonald and wife last week.

—Mrs. Mary Sutter and son, of Altoona, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Susan Oswalt in Union township.

—Miss Mintie Westbrook and Miss Bertha Hooper, of Huntingdon, were Sunday visitors to Mapleton.

—William M. Phillips, of Alexandria, spent a few hours Monday with his daughter, Mrs. Samuel Hatfield, in Mapleton.

—J. Duane Hicks, an employee in the Altoona freight office, was calling on some of his friends here during a part of Sunday.

—Mrs. M. E. Evans, who for the past twenty months has been located at Youngstown, Ohio, returned to Mapleton last Saturday.

—Rev. W. F. Gilbert departed Monday for Scottdale to attend the annual session of the Allegheny conference of the United Brethren church.

—Autumn begins to-day. Days and nights are of equal length. The autumnal equinox has not been marked by any heavy storms or rain.

—J. Wesley Wright and wife, of Henderson township, and Vance Simpson, of Mill Creek, were Sunday visitors at the home of Mrs. Rachel Wright and daughters.

—S. Guy Hicks left last Friday evening on a fifteen day trip the objective point of which is Alexis, Illinois. En route he will make short stops at Pittsburg and Chicago.

—Samuel Hatfield, of Mapleton, and W. P. Stevenson, of McVeytown, departed for St. Louis last Wednesday to enjoy a few days' sight-seeing at the World's Fair.

—Our friend W. P. Wright, of Calvin, has placed us under obligations for a half bushel of the finest potatoes we have ever seen. Just three dozen of these characteristic Trough Creek tubers heaped a half bushel measure.

—It pays to trade with Shapiro Bros., the bargain merchants. Their stock of merchandise is large and complete and new goods are arriving daily. They pay highest prices for country produce. Visit their store and be convinced of the bargains they offer.

—Rev. J. H. Ake left Monday on a three weeks' trip to the west. He will be accompanied by friends from Williamsburg and the destination of the party is the World's Fair. There will be no preaching service in the M. E. church until October 9th.

—Mrs. Mary Ritts, aged 70 years, of Altoona, was killed and five other persons more or less injured Monday afternoon by a trolley car on which they were passengers leaving the track and plunging through the bridge which spans the Juniata river at Gaysport, a suburb of Hollidaysburg.

—Mr. B. Franklin Moore and Miss Anna Virgie Caldwell, both of Mapleton, last Wednesday, September 14th, went to Cumberland, Md., and at 12 o'clock noon were united in marriage by Rev. W. A. Melvin. The same evening the happy couple returned to Mapleton where they will reside. We extend congratulations.

—Christian Rhodes, a watchman at the Cambria Steel company's Franklin plant at Johnstown, a brother of Mrs. James D. Sloan, of Mapleton, was killed at 5.30 o'clock Sunday morning by falling over a steep embankment along the railroad siding running into the works. Deceased was 65 years of age and is survived by his wife and nine children; also by his father, Daniel Rhodes, of Alexandria, and two brothers and three sisters. The funeral will take place to-day followed by interment in Johnstown cemetery.

—G. B. M. Potts spent Sunday with friends in Altoona.

—Twelve small boyes in this place have organized a secret society, which will be known as the Billy Goat Busters. The object is to teach other boys how to avoid a rear attask by a billy goat. The boys have a lease on four goats, and it costs 10 cents a month dues and 10 cents a lesson. Lessons given as often as desired by the applicant.—*Punxsutawney Spirit.*

—Great interest is already being felt in the meeting of Pennsylvania State Grange to be held in Erie in December. The live patrons of Erie and adjacent counties will leave nothing undone to make the meeting a success. Owing to the large increase in membership during the year and the general interest everywhere it promises to be the largest meeting the State grange ever held.

—A physician gives directions in handling a splinter which are well worth remembering. When a splinter has been driven deeply into the hand it can be extracted without pain by steam. Nearly fill a wide mouth bottle with hot water, place the injured part over the mouth of the bottle and press tightly and in a minute or two the steam will extract both the splinter and inflammation.

—Hunters should bear in mind that the fall hunting season does not open until October 15, and that before that time it is illegal to kill any wild turkeys, quail, pheasants, squirrels, etc. The season was made late and short in order to give the game, which was so scarce, a chance to increase, and all persons found killing game before the opening of the season will be dealt with according to the severest measures of the law.

—The Lehigh Valley railroad is economizing wherever possible. The latest order in this direction is the abolition of the long-established custom of furnishing matches free to employes in charge of the switch lights and other branches of the service. Hereafter these men must buy their own matches. As the item of matches is quite a big one in the course of a year, there is much grumbling among the men because of the new order.

—Jesse E. Brumbaugh, an employee of the Juniata boiler shop, Altoona, who was suspended last spring when the railroad company's retrenchment order went into effect and who has since been at his home in this place, last Wednesday was notified to report for duty. He returned to Altoona Thursday and at once was put to work. Several hundred suspended shopmen in Altoona have been put back to work owing to a revival in the freight business.

—Mount Union *Republican*: The dead body of a man, supposed to be Frank Retol, of Mount Union, aged about 50 years, was found standing upright in the Juniata river, near a bridge on the Pennsylvania railroad at the dividing line between Blair and Huntingdon counties, Sunday afternoon. His skull had been crushed. It is not known whether he was knocked off the bridge by a train or was murdered and robbed. Retol boarded with Benj. Miller in this place during the summer and worked at the upper brick works until several weeks ago when he asked off for a vacation.

—While Nicholas Piper, of Alexandria, was crossing Warrior Ridge yesterday morning from Huntingdon with a load of merchandise for his store, he met F. S. Tierney and wife in their automobile near the Pulpit Rock. Mr. Tierney drew his machine to the side and gave Mr. Piper every opportunity to pass. The horse did not seem to frighten, as it had become accustomed to automobiles, but it gave a sudden start and broke the single tree. Mr. Tierney and Mr. Piper then united in an effort to release the horse from the shafts, but before they had accomplished it, the animal fell dead in the roadside.—*Globe.*

—George Bailey, an employee of the Altoona freight shop, was killed while at work in the shop Saturday morning about 10 o'clock. An oil tank car had been run into the shop for repairs and Bailey and a fellow workman were engaged in riveting a valve onto the dome and when a hot rivet was driven through the flange of the valve into the tank the gas which had accumulated exploded and Bailey's body was blown over one hundred feet in the air. The body in falling plunged through a skylight and was literally torn to pieces. Mr. Bailey was a native of Centre county and Monday the remains were taken to Oak Hall for interment.

—Proposals will be received at the office of the Second Assistant Postmaster General, Postoffice Department, Washington, D. C., until 4.30 p. m. of December 1, 1904, for carrying the mail of the United States from July 1, 1905, to June 30, 1909, upon the star, steamboat and covered-wagon routes in Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia. The star route from Mapleton to Latta Grove via Page will on July 1, 1905, be made a daily route instead of a thrice a week as at the present time. Persons wishing to bid for carrying mail on this route can receive blank proposals and additional information by applying to the postmaster at Mapleton Depot, Pa.

Marriage Licenses.

Simon M. Varnor and Mildred E. Kelly, both of Tell township.

G. N. Spyker, Alexandria, and Ella B. Stouffer, McConnellstown, Pa.

P. N. Cassler and Elizabeth Potter, both of Johnstown, Pa.

Marquis L. Berrier, New Kensington, and Gertrude Evans, Petersburg.

John F. Werts, Altoona, and Cora E. Bolinger, Orbisonia.

Charles A. Smith and Ida R. McCall, both of Huntingdon.

Francis P. Shields, Burnham, and Julia M. Schneider, Huntingdon.

Albert M. Medling, Rockhill, and Nannie I. Sipes, Everett.

Allen Donelson, Coalmont, and Winona W. Baker, Tod township.

John C. Reese and Nellie P. Greenawalt, both of Dudley.

Rudolph Chilcote, Nossville, and Maggie McMullen, Shade Gap.

E. C. Butterbaugh, Pittsburg, and Golda A. Kough, Clay township.

McCune Love, Tell township, and Julia A. Bryan, Lack township, Juniata county, Pa.

Alfred L. Carothers, Cromwell township, and Lula Briggs, Orbisonia.

J. M. Gibson, Huntingdon, and Pearl E. Weaver. Newry, Pa.

Charles Heath and Mary Woomer, both of Broad Top City.

John C. Bare and Emma F. Lessig, both of Mapleton.

Peter Reilly and Ella E. McCarren, both of Danville, Pa.

D. F. Lane, Meadow Gap, and Bertha M. Lock, Shade Gap.

Samuel E. Adams, Missoula, Montana, and Jennie C. Starr, Shade Gap, Pa.

John L. Massle and Marriane Salin, both of Robertsdale.

Harry F. Pickett, Huntingdon, and Gertrude May Warsing, Smithfield, Pa.

Odd Facts About Colors.

Did you ever notice that there is no blue food? We eat things green, red, yellow and violet, flesh, fish or plants in all the colors of the rainbow except blue.

Many deadly poisons are blue in color, such as bluestone or the deadly nightshade flower. The color stands in our slang for everything miserable and depressing.

But this is only one of a thousand queer facts about colors.

Heat a bar of iron and the particles of the metal are set in motion, shaking violently one against another.

Presently the surrounding ether is set in motion in large, slow waves through the air, like the waves of the sea, until they break upon our skin and gives us the sensation of heat. As the iron gets hotter other waves are set in motion in immense numbers, traveling at more than lightning speed, and these break upon the eye, giving us the sensation of red light.

The redhot iron, getting still more heated, throws out other sets of waves, still smaller and more rapid—orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, violet, all the colors of the rainbow. The eye cannot tell one from another; the whole bundle of rays mixed up gives us an impression of white. That is the glow from white hot iron, and such is the light from the still greater brightness of the sun. Sunlight is a bundle of rays of light—red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet all mixed together. The mixture of all colors is white light. The absence of all color is utter darkness.

World's Fair Excursions.

Low-rate ten-day coach excursions via Pennsylvania Railroad, September 21 and 28. Rate, $15.20 from Mapleton. Train leaves Mapleton at 2.14 P. M., connecting with special train from New York arriving St. Louis 4.15 P. M. next day.

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Deeds Entered for Record.

Rockhill Iron & Coal Co. to W. B. Wilson, property in Cromwell township. Consideration $755.

Wm. R. Blair et al. to Herbert R. Preston et al., property in Huntingdon county et al. Consideration $7500.

David D. Kauffman and wife to Carey and Milton Dachenbach, property in Brady township. Consideration $50.

W. H. Sweet and wife to W. Scott Reed, property in Dudley borough. Consideration $1100.

Sarah Laughlin to Linda M. Allen, property in Walker township. Consideration $275.

E. Clark Fields and wife to A. S. Welch, property in Mt. Union. Consideration $125.

Edgar C. Eyer and wife to Wilson R. Shenefelt, property in Warriorsmark township. Consideration $1200.

Reuben F. Shultz and wife to Frank G. Brumbaugh, property in Marklesburg. Consideration $2400.

Azariah Kreiger and wife to John Kreiger, property in Coalmont. Consideration $100.

W. A. P. Wilson and wife to I. N. Swope, property in Brady township. Consideration $50.

Matilda E. Gifford and husband to School Directors, property in Shirley township. Consideration $1.00.

George D. Hudson and wife to Elizabeth Taylor, property in Clay township. Consideration $50.

Adam Heeter to Ruhannah Heeter, property in Three Springs. Consideration $450.

Rebecca Hammon et al. to Elliott R. Wible et al., property in Springfield township. Consideration $1230.

Anderson Wagoner and wife to Thomas Marlin, property in Clay township. Consideration $175.

John Booth and wife to Thomas Marlin, property in Clay township. Consideration $204.

Wm. W. Borst to Oliver S. Scott, property in West township. Consideration $220.

John M. Foster and wife to Oliver S. Scott, property in West township. Consideration $250.

J. D. Pierce and wife to Carrie Byers, property in Dublin township. Consideration $40.

J. C. Chilcote and wife to Robert I. Bigley and wife, property in Hopewell township. Consideration $300.

Robert B. Gibb to Robert I Bigley, property in Howewell township. Consideration $781.

Wm. K. Harrison to Phoebe J. Crum, property in Mt. Union. Consideration $200.

Richard J. Faust, jr., and wife to Richard J. Faust, sr., property in Shirley township &c. Consideration $1.00.

Rockhill Iron & Coal Co. to D. L. Whitsel, property in Cromwell township. Consideration $246.25.

Geo. and A. C. Nearhoof et al. to Mrs. Samuel Moore, property in Warriorsmark township. Consideration $75.

Dorsey Chronister and wife to Harriet Y. Moore, property in Warriorsmark township. Consideration $70.

Samuel H. Boyer and wife to Harry C. Boyer, property in Penn township. Consideration $1500.

Robert Barclay to James Barclay, property in Shirley township. Consideration $100.

Conrad Shafer to Wm. H. Shafer, property in Huntingdon. Consideration $1500.

Reduced One-Way Colonist Rates via Pennsylvania Railroad to Colorado, Arizona, Mexico, California, and other Western Points.

From September 14 to October 14, inclusive, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell one-way Colonist tickets from all points in its territory to Western and Southwestern points at greatly reduced rates, thus affording a specially attractive opportunity to visit the growing and rapidly developing crop-producing sections of the great Western Empire. Detailed information as to rates and times of trains can be had of all Pennsylvania Railroad ticket agents. 9-21-2t

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

Has world-wide fame for marvellous cures. It surpasses any other salve, lotion, ointment or balm for Cuts, Corns, Burns, Roils, Sores, Felons, Ulcers, Tetter, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Chapped hands, Skin Eruptions; infallible for Piles. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c at Wright & Dell's.

Argument Court.

Thomas F. Bailey appointed auditor to make distribution of the balance in the hands of Susan Dell, administratrix of Henry S. Dell, late of Shirley township, deceased.

David H. Myers appointed auditor to decide exceptions to the account of Chas. Brewster, administrator c. t. a. of George Clemens, late of Shirley township, deceased, and make distribution.

Inquest awarded to make partition of the real estate of George Whittaker, late of Porter township, deceased.

Susan Oswalt appointed guardian of the minor children of J. Madison Oswalt, late of Union township, deceased.

Mamie McClintock, guardian of Alexander McClintock, Chas. McClintock and Margaretta L. McClintock, authorized to join in sale of certain real estate of John Nevell, late of the borough of Mt. Union, deceased.

Return of I. N. Sollers, guardian of minor children of Gertrude Sollers, deceased, to an order authorizing him to sell certain real estate in Three Springs, confirmed nisi.

Report of L. H. Beers, auditor appointed to hear exceptions and make distribution of the balance in the hands of T. E. McVitty and E. M. Greene, executors of Mrs. Emma Hudson, late of the borough of Saltillo, deceased, confirmed nisi.

In re T. J. C. Ripple, No. 140, September term, 1900; rule awarded to show cause why judgment should not be opened, etc.

In re I. G. Foust vs. Penna. R. R. company, order to have testimony transcribed by stenographer, sur appear to Supreme Court.

W. H. Chilcote, County Treasurer, appeared in open court and acknowledge the deeds for lands sold by him for unpaid taxes, June 12, 1904.

G. Chal Port, Sheriff, appeared in open court and acknowledged the several deeds for lands sold by him under divers writs of execution.

The grand jury last week approved the report of viewers recommending the erection of a county bridge at Kyler's fording over Spring creek in Clay township.

Sale of real estate of Alice Miller, late of Orbisonia, deceased, confirmed nisi.

W. W. McChesney, guardian of H. Lawrence Vail, a grandson of John Eberts, late of Franklin township, deceased, authorized to join in sale of certain real estate and to expend a portion of his ward's estate for his education and maintenance.

Citation awarded to heirs of Samuel Hatfield, late of Porter township, deceased, to appear at the December term of court and show cause why certain real estate of the deceased should not be sold.

C. E. Benson, Jacob Haffley and G. B. M. Baker appointed inspectors for iron bridge near Shoenberger, over Little Juniata river, on line between Blair and Huntingdon counties.

L. W. Treece appointed tax collector for Hopewell township.

Report of Jas. S. Woods, Dr. G. G. Harman and John Swivel, commissioners appointed to inquire as to the the alleged lunacy of Dora Brown, of Saltillo, filed.

A Boy's Wild Ride For Life.

With family around expecting him to die, and a son riding for life, 18 miles, to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, W. H. Brown, of Leesville, Ind., endured death's agonies from asthma; but this wonderful medicine gave instant relief and soon cured him. He writes: "I now sleep soundly every night." Like marvelous cures of Consumption, Pneumonia, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds and Grip prove its matchless merit for all Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free at Wright & Dell's store.

—Friday afternoon about three o'clock an inmate of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory at Huntingdon escaped and has not yet been apprehended. He was serving a term of ten years for burglary and when captured will no doubt have his time considerably extended.

What is Life?

In the last analysis nobody knows, but we do know that it is under strict law. Abuse that law even slightly, pain results. Irregular living means derangement of the organs, resulting in Constipation, Headache or Liver trouble. Dr. King's New Life Pills quickly re-adjusts this. It's gentle, yet through. Only 25c at Wright & Dell's Store.

THE SAND DUNES.

The sand dunes, the gray dunes,
They call my heart from me;
They call it when the world is light,
They whisper it when falls the night,
They call me to the sea.

Oh, the sand dunes, the gray dunes,
'Tis there that I would be;
Where low and white the wavelets run,
And over all round, red sun
Slips slowly to the sea.

Ah! the sand dunes, the gray dunes,
'Tis there I said goodby;
The moon was like a pale, cold thing,
The pool beyond a silver ring,
The wavelets' song a sigh.

Ah! the sand dunes, the gray dunes,
They wring my heart so sore;
The level sand beneath the rain,
The glory of the day's slow wane—
I'll never see them more.

—New York Tribune.

The Red Flannel Patch.

IT CONCEALED THE TRAGEDY OF A HUMBLE LIFE.

In the "wee short hours ayont the twal'" one morning recently half a dozen newspaper men gathered, as was their custom, in one of Broadway's restaurants to do justice, at what would be called an unseemly hour by the New York day worker, to a "square" meal. After dining wisely one of them remarked that Eugene Field had stirred more latent sympathy in the hearts of the reading public with his "Little Boy Blue" than any newsaper man he knew, and this led to the telling of an incident that had occurred the day before to J. The story was told to J. by a friend, who had hastily jotted down the facts:

"Tonio Salavatore, organ grinder. This is the name and occupation of him who has disturbed my daytime sleep, has tortured my overstrung nerves when awake, and has sent rolling through my brain a confused and confusing jumble of sounds, very unmusical at times, from 'The Little Widow Dunn' to a distorted creation of 'Les Rameaux' by some hand-organ builder who scught sound rather than truth of composition. You night workers, who even in sleep have teeth on edge and blue pencil poised ready to attack the weakling reporter's contribution to the daily paper, have perhaps heard and cursed Tonio Salvatore for grinding out his discordant organ notes, have turned restlessly on your pillows, or made a feint to grasp anything within reach and hurl it at the unsuspecting disturber of your rest, and then calmly pulled your bedclothes over your heads, to sink again into your restless sleep, with 'beats' and city editors and news editors chasing one another through your ever active brains. Hear my story of Tonio, and perhaps you will say, 'Such a thing as that organ grinder carrying the faded photograph of a dead daughter on the cover of his organ never entered my head.'

"Tonio Salvatore and his wife are Sicilians of the better class, with a son and daughter religieuses in Italy. Tonio is 72 years old, and his wife is 73. Misfortunes occur under the Italian blue dome as under the American gray dome, and so Tonio, with his wife and daughter of 16 years, chose to seek a new life here. For an old Italian, with the artist sense of music, sculpture and carving, there are few opportunities in New York, and menial positions are not always open to an Italian patriarchal in appearance and with no knowledge of English. 'The organ, the organ,' his new found friends suggested as a means to earn his livelihood, meagre though the income be from the daily trudging up and down and across New York's busy streets, and, so that little Battista and her mother might retain the shelter provided for them with the money brought from home and now exhausted, Tonio procured by paying a small daily rental for it, an old time organ, husky, hoarse and discordant of tone, and, with Battista assisting him in drawing the barrow on which the organ rested, he started on the path from which Victory was sidetracked, and the end of which was the Grave of Battista.

"I saw the shivering Tonio and Battista last November in the street in which I live, she with a thin plaid shawl drawn around her attenuated figure, and Tonio grinding away, with eyes now looking up at the windows for the chance contributions of lovers of his music, or of haters of it, who, with a wave of one hand and the closely wrapped penny thrown by the other hand circling in the air, demanded that he move to another house or another street, and then looking lovingly at Battista as she ran to pick the penny from the street and hand it to him. At times Tonio gave a searching glance at his daughter and dropped his head until the stubby gray beard rested on his breast, then quietly lifted the hand which held the organ upright, allowing the instrument to rest on his body, and placed it on the girl's shoulder, smoothing the plaid shawl and beaming on her with his dark Italian eyes.

Yesterday, on Broome street, west of the Bowery, I saw Tonio. Battista was not with him, and he was trudging along, pulling his barrow and organ the cover of the organ next to him having a red patch over it to cover a rent in the cloth, I thought. Organ and barrow seemed to me to have doubled in weight, judging by his bent back and tense muscles. He stopped to grind his instrument, but gave no sign of being interested in anything going on around him. His head was bent and his chin rested on his breast. He was alive, that was all. As I was interested in Battista and in him when I saw them in the beginning of the winter, I made bold to stand near him, and noted the change in his appearance. He remembered, I suppose, having seen me somewhere on his daily travels, especially as I had always contributed to Battista a coin of some denomination, and he lifted his old cap to me. He ceased churning out his music, and I stepped close to him and tried to convey my thoughts in English to him regarding his daughter. He couldn't understand at once what I meant to convey until I pointed to a little Italian girl passing by, and then he knew I was making inquiries about Battista. He lifted his hat slowly from his head, extended one hand to me, grasping mine quickly and pointed to the patch of red on the organ cover. I looked at him inquiringly, and tried to tell him I desired to know more. He motioned to me to step to the street from the sidewalk, and when I did so he lifted the piece of flannel which I had supposed was put on to cover a rent, but which I now noticed was sewn on the top only, and disclosed the faded reproduction of Battista's face, younger looking than when I had seen her, and plumper. She was dead. I turned to look at Tonio, but his eyes were covered with his hands. His loss was great, I knew, for I also felt a loss."—New York Tribune.

Bos'n Must Go.

Among the changes now on the carpet is the abolition of the boatswains. So far as one can gather the idea is to make all boatswains of less than fifteen years seniority qualify as gunners, and let this rank gradually die out, as that of the old navigating officers has done. These alterations will remove one of the oldest warrant ranks in the navy.

The "Batsuen," as the boatswain was originally called, was in the earlier days a much more important individual than he is today—in fact he seems to have ranked almost as high as the sailing master of the ship. Ropes and sails and masts and yards were always his specialty, and the disappearance of these from the fleet seems likely to be followed by his own. Not that there is any lack of work for him to do. Even in the modern ironclad the boatswain has important duties to perform, but the authorities seem to think that the duties may just as well be discharged by the gunners, who are now on the top line in everything, so much importance is there attached to the branch for which they specially qualify.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Last of Boulanger's Famous Charger.

One of the effects of the hot weather in Paris has been to put an end to Gen. Boulanger's old black horse, that once famous charger which used to carry France's idol majestically at reviews and figured in the welcome to that hero as he rode back at the head of the Paris garrison from Longchamps to the war office. The poor old black horse suffered the usual fate of his race. Gen. Boulanger should have shot him before he shot himself, for in all these years that have elapsed since the "brave general" weakly died, he has been dragging out a wretched existence succumbing finally while drawing a vegetable cart across the Place de la Concorde. The blazing sun killed Tunis—Boulanger's black charger.—Boston Herald.

Will Battle for Rights.

On the occasion of the twentieth anniversary of the Finnish Women's Union, at Helsingfors this year, the president, A. G. Gripenberg, who delivered addresses in both Swedish and Finnish, recommended the union to work for the following objects: The right of married women to come of age at 21; to dispose of their own property, and to have the same rights with respect to their children as men; the promotion of morality in accordance with the Christian ideal, and equality for women with men in the choice of a profession. The union, which has now been in existence for 15 years, numbers 1075 members.

Man in the Iron Mask.

All the best informed persons of my time have always thought that this famous history was founded upon the capture and captivity of Mattioli, a Piedmontese political prisoner, who died in the Bastile in 1793. In those days prisoners were made to wear masks while traveling, but it would be more exact to say a mask the color of iron. All the details which Voltaire added were simply fabulous and laughable, and I think you will find that my theory of the iron mask is the right one.—French Noblesse.

News of the Week

WASHINGTON.

Insanity in Washington is rapidly increasing. During July and August and the first ten days of September ninety-three persons were declared insane by marshals' juries. For the same period last year the number was sixty-two.

The Peruvian Government has appointed Manual Alvarez Calderon to be Peruvian Minister to Cuba, while retaining his post of Minister of Peru in Washington.

OUR ADOPTED ISLANDS.

It has been recommended that the force of American soldiers in the Philippines be reduced from its present standing of four regiments of cavalry and nine of infantry to three regiments of cavalry and seven of infantry.

Major-General Wade, commander in the Philippines, will exchange posts with Major-General Corbin, Department of the East.

Major-General James F. Wade, commanding the Philippine Division, was authorized to sail for the United States on the next available transport leaving Manila.

DOMESTIC.

Japan made inquiry about the disposition of the Lena's crew. Assurance was given that the men would be kept within the limits of San Francisco. The Lena was taken to the Mare Island Navy Yard.

Nine Chicago firemen were hurt, two fatally, by the collapse of a wall of a burning building.

Napoleon Shipley, once postmaster at Washington, D. C., and a large oil speculator, died in a Pennsylvania poorhouse.

Commander Peary received a cup and talked of his plans for a new Arctic trip at a dinner in honor of the foreign members of the International Geographic Congress, in New York City.

Connecticut Republicans nominated a full State ticket, headed by Henry Roberts, present Lieutenant-Governor.

Troops were sent to Huntsville, Ala., to prevent the rescue of nine men to be arrested on charges of participation in the Maples lynching.

It was announced at New Haven, Conn., that Yale University would establish a course of insurance this autumn.

At the opening of the New York City schools 579,854 pupils registered, 50,000 more than last year.

The steamer Longfellow, of Wilmington, Del., foundered off Highland Light, Mass. Her crew of sixteen were rescued.

The preliminary statement of trade for August showed a decrease in exports of $4,000,000.

The steamship Parthian, from Boston, Mass., for Philadelphia, Pa., went aground in the Delaware River near Reedy Island, Del.

Two men were killed and several persons injured in a train collision on the Southern Pacific in Nevada.

Forest fires were raging in timber sections of Northern California and near San Francisco. The city of Santa Cruz was reported in danger, and the situation in the Santa Crux mountains was extremely serious.

The plant of the Eastern Shipbuilding Company, at Groton, Conn., was sold to George R. Sheldon, of the reorganization committee.

James J. Corbett, once a champion pugilist, went to a New York City policeman's assistance in making an arrest in Broadway after three of the prisoner's friends interfered.

An amusement park is to occupy the fifty acres at the northern tip of Manhattan Island, New York City.

Assistant Secretary of State Francis B. Loomis delivered an address of welcome at the first session of the Interparliamentary Union in St. Louis, Mo.

The revolt of students at the State Agricultural College, at Raleigh, N. C., to secure greater liberty has collapsed.

The wrecking of a south-bound train near Rocky Ford, Ga., in the same manner as the north-bound had been derailed the day before, has caused officials to offer rewards for the capture of the train wreckers.

The battleship Georgia will be launched at Bath, Me., next month.

The salmon pack in Southeastern Alaska is short this year, only 393,800 cases having been made up to September 1.

After a quarrel over a polo game Sergeant Boyle killed Private Pearl Allen at Glenwood Springs, Col.

FOREIGN.

Socialists declared a strike throughout Italy. Two strikers were killed in a riot at Milan.

Anarchists were reported active in Spain. A bomb was exploded at Barcelona, and a plot against a high official was discovered in Madrid.

In choosing the title of the Prince of Piedmont rather than Prince of Rome for his son King Victor Emmanuel sought to conciliate the Church party in Italy.

France upheld Combes in his determination to separate Church and State.

West African natives have broken through the cordon of German troops and escaped to the south, making it likely that the war will be indefinitely prolonged.

Lieutenant-General Prince Fushimi will visit the United States in October as the special representative of the Emperor of Japan.

WORLD'S FAIR JOTTINGS.

Leopard skin effects are among the Mexican bed clothing exhibits.

On the Pike fourteen frail infants at a time are developed by artificial means.

The "serape," or shawl worn by the country people of Mexico, forms one of the interesting bits of the Mexican exhibit.

An exhibit of ripe olives is a feature of the Sacramento Valley exhibit in the California section in the Palace of Agriculture.

A large collection of bows and arrows of Chinese manufacture is shown in the Chinese section of the Palace of Liberal Arts.

Silk manufacturers of New York have in operation at the Fair a large loom, showing the process of making their fabrics.

Wall scaling as taught and practiced in the United States Army is an attraction of the daily military maneuvres of the Filipino scouts.

An apparatus for removing the impurities from commercial illuminating gas is shown by John Redmond, a gas engineer of Bradford, England, in the Palace of Liberal Arts.

A representative collection of sapphires from the famous Toco Gulch mine, Fergus County, Montana, is exhibited in Montana's section in the Palace of Mines and Metallurgy.

An apple of this year's growth weighing thirty ounces and measuring eighteen inches in circumference, is exhibited in the office of Secretary Marchant, of the Oklahoma Commission.

A series of beautifully executed stained glass windows, including one representing Queen Wilhelmina taking the oath of office, is a feature of Holland's display of applied art in the Art Palace.

SPORTING BREVITIES.

George E. Cook won the Leech Cup rifle match at Sea Girt.

The Point Judith Country Club horse show enjoyed a brilliant opening.

Robert Walthour won the 100 kilometre cycle race in Berlin, Germany.

Entries for the Vanderbilt Cup race closed with eighteen automobiles nominated.

Frank Kramer lowered the American mile cycle record to 1m. 49 2-5s. at the Vailsburg track.

M. Charley offers $10,000 to the first motor boat crossing the Atlantic from Havre to New York.

Mrs. J. B. M. Grosvenor's entries again carried off the honors at the Newport Horse Show.

Richard Croker bought two race horses in England, paying $10,540 and $18,070 respectively for them.

The yacht Atlantic won the Cape May cup race of 220 miles, finishing in about thirty-eight and a half hours.

Prince Alert broke the world's pacing record without a wind shield, going the mile in 1.59½ at the State Fair at Syracuse, N. Y.

Miss Eleanora Sears, Miss Anna Sands, Mrs. Barger-Wallach and Miss Edna Burger were the tennis victors at Newport, R. I.

C. M. Daniels, of the New York Athletic Club, cut two seconds off the 220-yard world's swimming record in the St. Louis Olympic championships.

Pretty Polly, England's unbeaten racer, won the St. Leger at Doncaster, defeating, among others, the Derby winner, St. Amant, which ran unplaced.

Trampled on by a mob of his enthusiastic admirers, "Muggsy" McGraw, captain-manager of the New York Nationals, had his right leg badly sprained.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

Rear-Admiral Schley will shortly publish his autobiography.

Maurus Jokai, the Hungarian author, died owing $20,000.

The Empress Dowager of China is now sixty-seven years old.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, now visiting us, has $75,000 per annum salary.

Herr Kubelik, the Bohemian violinist, is said to have made more than $500,000 in the last three years.

Assistant Postmaster-General Wynne will visit North Wales on his trip abroad. His parents came from there.

The Duke of Fife is one of the few landowners in Great Britain who do not believe in the accumulation of vast estates.

The venerable Sir Joseph Dalton Hooker, Huxley's lifelong friend, and one of the most famous botanists of the age, has just celebrated his eighty-seventh birthday.

Sir Shentung-Liang-Cheng, Chinese Minister to the United States, is also accredited to Mexico, and he is now in the City of Mexico to establish the Chinese Legation.

Mr. Balfour is much wealthier than was his uncle, the late Lord Salisbury, the Premier's income, it is said, being about $350,000 a year. The money came from his grandfather.

Representative John Lind, of Minnesota, who has twice been Governor of that State and who has been nominated for Justice of the Supreme Court, is said to bear a marked resemblance to Lincoln.

Lord Edward Churchill is an interesting man with a quite unusual variety of occupations and attainments. He is an expert at mechanics and electric science. He has built a church organ and made a brass model of an eighty-one-ton gun.

NEWSY GLEANINGS.

By sawing out bars seven prisoners escaped from jail at Memphis, Tenn.

The Klondyke gold output this year is expected to be about $10,000,000.

Railway mail clerks held their twenty-ninth annual convention at Boston, Mass.

The military were called out to fight a plague of grasshoppers at Erlau, Hungary.

The cultivation of Sumatra tobacco under tents in the Connecticut River Valley has proved financially unprofitable.

"Splendid," a geyser that has been dormant for four years, in the upper basin of Yellowstone Park, has again become active.

Because it contained an article on the Darwinian theory of evolution, a Russian Archbishop has suppressed the Gregorian Almanac.

Times are hard in New York City. The record of the city's free lodging house shows an increase of forty-six per cent. over last year.

Earl de Montalt, who occupies the double position in the House of Lords as an English and Irish peer, has sold his estate in Tipperary to his tenantry.

It was estimated recently that London (Eng.) suburbs were spreading and filling so fast that as many as 900,000 persons settled in them, in new houses, in five years.

Colonel Sir C. E. Howard Vincent, M. P., who is interested in an exclusion act for Great Britain, visited Ellis Island, New York harbor, to study our immigration system.

An unusual wedding ceremony took place at Montreal, Canada, when Mrs. J. Charron, a widow, and her two daughters, Lennia and Alexina Charron, were married, respectively to Denis Laudry, Leon Martel and Marcine Therrien.

THE NATIONAL GAME.

Montreal has signed Pitcher Leon Viau, late of Providence.

The Memphis Club has signed Pitcher Schulz, late of Montgomery.

The Pittsburg Club has given pitcher Roscoe Miller his unconditional release.

The Toledo Club has released Catcher Reading and Pitchers Deering and Weinig.

Harry Bay has promised to run Geo. Browne a 100-yard race after the season ends.

Evers has made more errors than anybody in the business so far this season.

An Atlanta Club battery, J. J. Clarke and Charles Smith, has been purchased by Cleveland.

This is Charlie Nichols' seventeenth year as a pitcher and he is still as good as any of them.

The Cleveland Club has purchased outfielder Ernest Vinson from Providence for $2500.

Tommy Leach's legs have given out, and his physician has ordered him to take a long rest.

The Chicago National Club has signed outfielder William Carney, of the Spokane Club.

The Detroits have been vastly strengthened by the acquisition of Hickman and Coughlin.

The Cincinnati Club has traded Orville Woodruff for third baseman Harry Arndt, of Louisville.

The St. Louis National Club has bought the release of catcher Charles Swindell, of the Butte Club.

Lajoie has hit safely in all but nineteen games this season. He still keeps up his record as champion slugger.

Joe Kelley is quoted as saying that Pittsburg is still the best team in this league except in the pitching department.

WAR IN THE FAR EAST.

The report that Admiral Prince Ouktomsky would be supplanted was confirmed.

Russian General Staff denied reports that Kuropatkin's rear guard was annihilated.

A Russian land mine, according to a report from Port Arthur, destroyed 700 Japanese.

General Kuropatkin reports that he did not lose a gun during the retreat from Liaoyang.

The Russian Government has agreed to reimburse the owners of two captured British colliers.

The Askold is about to leave her dock at Shanghai and take winter quarters in the upper harbor.

Japan closed contracts with the Carnegie Company for 7500 tons of nickel-steel plates for her battleships.

The Mikado congratulated his triumphant troops, but told them "the end of the war is still in the distant future."

European experts agree that the end of the Eastern war is a long way off, no matter how the present campaign ends.

Advices from Mukden said that the Russians were making no efforts to defend the city, and were marching northward.

The Russian army at the front is to be reorganized, probably in the form of two armies, with General Kuropatkin as commander-in-chief.

Details of the Russian retreat show that it was accomplished under the greatest difficulties. No surgical aid could be given to many of the wounded.

A Japanese expedition went into the harbor of Korsakovsk, Island of Saghalien, and attached mines to the sunken Russian cruiser Novik, but they were driven off before the mines were exploded.

A SERMON FOR SUNDAY

AN ELOQUENT DISCOURSE BY THE REV. JOHN BALCOM SHAW, D. D.

Subject: The Ash-Can Bible—History of a Volume of Holy Writ That is Unique in Church Annals—Warning Against a Common Type of Family Deterioration

NEW YORK CITY.—The following splendid sermon was preached Sunday morning by the Rev. John Balcom Shaw. It is entitled "The Ash-Can Bible." His text was: The word of God which liveth and abideth forever—I Peter 1:23.

This book, rather than the words I have read from it, is my text. Not the Bible in general as a theme to be discussed, but this particular Bible consisting of paper, printing and binding, as an object lesson to be taught.

This Bible has a history. It was a gift to the church under the uniquest conditions. Indeed I doubt if there is another church in the whole world that came by its pulpit Bible in the same or in anything like a similar way.

This is its history. One morning last spring a woman, a pewholder, but not a member of this church, came into the minister's office, where I was keeping the pastoral hour, and handing me a package neatly wrapped and tied, asked me if I could make use of its contents in any way. Opening the package and finding this beautifully bound Bible inside, I, of course, answered affirmatively, and suggested that I hand it on to some mission church or poor, struggling congregation, for use as a pulpit Bible.

She then told me its story. That morning upon coming out of the apartment where she lived she spied an elegantly bound book on the top of the ash-can that stood awaiting the coming of the garbage cart. Feeling it was a shame to allow so fine a book to be disposed of in that way, she went to the ash-can and turned its title round toward her. What was her amazement, her horror, her sense of desecration, to find it was a copy of the Holy Bible! She opened it and found that several leaves between the Old Testament and the New had been cut out, and the explanation came to her at once, an explanation which the janitor afterward fully confirmed.

It seems that a family, apparently respectable and well disposed, had moved away from the apartment house the day before, and desiring to throw away everything for which they had no use and which increased the bulk of their effects, had seized upon the family Bible which had been in their home for years, as a thing that could be as easily got along without as anything else, had cut out the family record that it might not be lost, and sent the book down to the janitor as rubbish to be thrown away. He, either because he had failed to recognize it or because he had a low estimate of the Bible's value, had deposited it in the ash-can, and was looking for the city's cart to come at any moment and take it away.

A new interest immediately attached itself to the Bible. I put it into the minister's room to await some providential opportunity to dispose of it. That opportunity was not long in coming. When this new pulpit was set in place upon my return it was found that not one of the three pulpit Bibles that had been previously presented to the church would fit its book board. I then went to the minister's room and brought out this ash-can Bible. It was just the thing. Besides being of the right size, its gold edges and richly embossed covers made it peculiarly suitable to mount this pulpit, and here it will stand as itself a memorial—the pulpit a memorial to a family who loved the Bible, guided their lives for fifty years in this community by its counsels, and sent forth into it streams of Christian influence that will never run dry; the Bible which rests upon this pulpit speaking to us of a family who flitted into this neighborhood, and after a restless sojourn of a few months, more probably of not more than a few weeks, flitted out again without having done anything to help it, and who thought so little of God and goodness, desired so faintly, not only to light the road heavenward for others, but to have it lighted for themselves, that they threw away their family Bible and moved on to drag down the religious tone and temperature of some other community.

Robert Browning, in his great poem, "The Ring and the Book," tells the story of finding a rare book at a stall in the Square of Florence, and, after reporting its contents, he gives rein to his poetic musings upon the life, character and history of the persons figuring within its narrative, punctuating with marks of exquisite strength and beauty the lessons of their lives.

This strangely discovered book starts no poetic strains within me—I have no such strings to vibrate—but it does set my soul to musing, and those musings seem to me to take the path of likeliest fact and truth.

They carry me back over the earlier history of this book. It may have been, it doubtless was, a wedding present, given probably by a pious father and mother long since among the sainted dead. It had been in the home through all the years of their family history, and had become as familiar an object as the silver on their table or the pictures upon their walls. Again and again they had gone to it through the passing years to inscribe within its sacred pages the records of their home. With the daintiest touch they had put in their own names while the honeymoon was still on. Later when that little life came to them, their first born, and the glow of parenthood flushed their souls as with a baptism from heaven, they dipped the pen as if into some love fluid and wrote out with pride the dear little one's newly chosen name.

A few years passed and the angel came and took the sweet soul away. The funeral over, the father one evening when they were alone and the house was silent, went through into the parlor, unknown to his wife, and put in the record, leaning over the open book till the tears began to soil the page, and then turning over a few pages into the book that adjoined the record, he read over and over again those dear and holy words, "Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven," and those other words so inseparably associated with them, "Their angels do always behold the face of My Father." It was the Bible, too, out of which the minister had read at the little one's funeral, and in this and a hundred other ways it had taken on a hallowedness and built itself into the whole life of the home.

But five years ago the family moved into New York, and the decay of their home life began. Sentiment, association, memory, though sacred and tender, could not run a race with the evanescent, migratory life of the metropolis. They had moved often, and every time they moved they had left something of their home life behind them. Age ceased to give anything its value; it was the ease with which it could be transported which determined that. Their religious life had declined, and they never opened the Bible of late. They had even neglected to record the last death that had taken place in the family. They had been weaned from the church through frequent removals, and religious thought and feeling had become strangers to their hearts.

Their consciences had been dulled, and what had once seemed impossible to them was now second nature. They used to think they could never allow the Sunday paper in their home, but now they read it themselves and allowed their children to read it without the least qualm of conscience. To stay away from church once was a few years ago an act of backsliding, but they had not long been in New York before whole months passed without their crossing the sacred threshold, and yet it gave them no compunction whatever. Time was, and not long since, when they were most punctilious about sending their children to Sunday-school. The wildest wind and the foulest weather would not pass with them as an excuse for allowing the boys and girls to stay at home. There was no such strictness these last years, but weeks of Sabbaths went by and failed to record a single present mark for any of the children on the rolls of the Sunday-school.

Therefore, sentiment gone, association and memory having loosened their grasp, their religious life having become a thing of the past, and their consciences having grown sluggish, they had no more use for the Old Book. It was too bulky to move; they would keep the family record, but the sacred pages and covers which had given it its inclosure and setting, they would throw away.

Were there ever a sadder story? It makes one weep to think of it. And yet it is the story of a thousand homes in this community, of a hundred thousand homes in this city. It is what some of you are coming to, dear friends, unless you take warning. Let this Bible give you such a warning to-night. May it ever be a warning to every family of this church.

As often as the eyes of those worshiping here shall rest upon it, may it speak to them its solemn message with a voice that cannot be drowned—let not the fire burn low on your hearthstone, but keep up the fireside glow. See that your home is in touch with the church. Suffer not your family altar to become a ruin. Have a family Bible and use it. Take care that mildew spots, like those which I find here that are always signs of disuse, are not allowed to mar it. Read the Old Book to your children. Read it to your own soul. Without it your home life will grow hollow and unholy, your children will deteriorate, your own soul shrivel up and die.

Thus this Bible shall stand as a memorial to a typically deteriorated New York home, and as a warning to the families that have not likewise deteriorated, but shall it not also be at the same time a memorial to something higher and more inspiring—to the glorious character and ministry of the word of God as an abiding and ever expanding power among men? Here is a fountain that was long sealed, but it has begun to flow, and its streams shall water not one home but a thousand. This book so seldom used before shall be opened with every recurring service within this house of prayer, to be read, expounded and applied to the multiplying hundreds that shall worship here. This Bible was disowned, desecrated, cast out as rubbish into the street, only to be recovered, honored, set in a high place, elevated to a public throne from which it will issue a verdict of condemnation upon this home and every home in this city that has turned God from its door, but will speak comfort, hope and strength to those within which the word of God dwells and exercises its heavenly dominion. While this book shall utter its admonition, then, let it also speak forth its word of encouragement and triumph, telling all who shall henceforth behold it that the word of God liveth and abideth forever; that however much men may attack it and seek to destroy it, it shall come out of every battle a thousand fold stronger than before, and light a circle that extends far beyond its former perimeter of influence.

"A glory gilds the sacred page,
Majestic as the sun:
It gives a light to every age;
It giveth, but borrows none."

Alone With God.

This is the quiet hour in which I sit alone with God, writes Charles Edward Martin, in the New York Observer. He hears my whispered plaints and listens to my love. He maketh me happy in my love, which ever goeth out to Him as quietly and constantly as the river flows or the star shines.

This is the hour that I talk with the loving Father about myself, of victories won in the open field, when He was my deliverer and my strength, and of the sorry failures and defeats which were mine when I sought safety within unstrengthened ramparts of my own construction. I acknowledge His marvelous strength and own my own wavering weakness.

I was too impetuous, too impatient. I would rush headlong and heedless, following my own plans to my own shame and dishonor. It would seem that I could not wait. But I will now learn the value of time—the wisdom of taking time to do all things in obedience to His plans, and to do them well.

In this quiet hour I will tell Him all. But I will not speak of my plans. Alas for me! I have too many plans! I will simply and humbly ask for His love and guidance just for to-day. To-morrow I may be with Him in paradise. I will say: "All-wise One, all-loving One, Thou who makest and warmest the affections of the human heart, I submit myself to Thee. By Thy grace I live, and by Thy mysterious quickening will I ply my task with loving faithfulness and care. Let Thy love, and if so be, Thy approval, be my reward. O, teach me to understand Thy love! Make me to love Thee more and more. Make me as Thou wouldst have me, dear Father, and I shall be satisfied. Thy ways shall be my ways. Widen my narrow thought. Unchain the self-made fetters that cramp and fret my heart. Teach me that true and lasting happiness cometh only with those things which are pleasing unto Thee. Lead me in those holy footsteps that bear the print of the nail!"

The Way of Peace.

In proportion as the perfect obedience of the life of Christ comes, through humility and prayer and thought, to be the constant aim of all our efforts; in proportion as we try, God helping us, to think and speak and act as He did, and through all the means of grace to sanctify Him in our hearts, we shall, with growing hope and with a wonder that is ever lost in gratitude, know that even our lives are not without the earnest of their rest in an eternal harmony; that through them there is sounding more and more the echo of a faultless music, and that He who loves that concord, He who alone can ever make us what He bids us be, will silence in us every harsh and jarring note; that our service, too, may blend with the consenting praise of all His saints and angels.—Francis Paget.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 25.

Review of the Twelve Lessons of the Third Quarter—Read Psalm 103, 1-12—Golden Text, Psalm 103, 8—Summary and Topics.

Lesson I.—Topic: Rehoboam's answer to the ten tribes and their revolt. Place: The assembly was held at Shechem. After Solomon's death the people assembled at Shechem to choose a new King. Solomon's son, Rehoboam, was heir to the throne; he was young and tender hearted, but vain and wicked; the people asked to be relieved of excessive taxation; Rehoboam counseled with the people as to what answer he should give; he forsook the counsel of the old men and listened to the counsel of the young men; he returned a stern reply and said that he would be more severe than even his father Solomon had been; ten of the twelve tribes then revolted and chose Jeroboam as King.

II. Topic: Jeroboam's effort to establish himself in his kingdom. Place: The northern part of Palestine. As soon as Jeroboam was declared King of the ten tribes, he took measures to establish himself in his kingdom; there were bright prospects before him; he enlarged and fortified several cities; he then took steps to keep his people from going to Jerusalem to worship, fearing that if they did their hearts would become attached to Rehoboam and that they would kill him; he made two calves of gold and set one up in Bethel and the other in Dan, urging the people to worship in these cities instead of going to Jerusalem. This became a sin, for the people soon fell into idolatry.

III. Topic: Judah's prosperity and victory. Place: Judah, Asa's kingdom. After the death of Rehoboam, Abijah, his son, reigned in his stead; his reign was short, and at his death, Asa, his son, reigned in Judah forty-one years; Asa was a good King and did that which was right in the sight of the Lord; he removed the altars of the strange gods which had been set up in the kingdom, and broke down the images which had been erected to idols; he commanded his people to seek the Lord and to obey the law; he fortified the cities in Judah; the land had rest from war many years; Asa raised an army to meet the Ethiopians who came against him; the battle was set in array; Asa cried unto the Lord; the Lord caused the Ethiopians to flee.

IV. Topic: Jehosaphat establishing a judiciary. Place: Jehoshaphat reigned over Judah. At the death of Asa, Jehoshaphat, his son, reigned in his stead for twenty-five years. Jehoshaphat was a good King and trusted God; he thoroughly cleansed the land of idolatry, but he committed a great error in joining himself to Ahab; he went with Ahab to fight against Ben-hahad, King of Syria; the prophet of the Lord warned him not to go, but he did and Ahab was slain. Then Jehu, the prophet, reproved Jehoshophat for helping the ungodly.

V. Topic: The idolatry of Israel's kings. Place: Omri and Ahab reigned over the ten tribes. Omri and Ahab were both very wicked kings; they led the people into the worship of idols and fully established Baal worship in the land; the prophets of God were slain and His worship forbidden; Omri founded the city of Samaria and made it his capital; at his death Ahab, his son, reigned in his stead; Ahab was worse than any of the kings that had preceded, for he married Jezebel, a heathen woman; he built a house in honor of Baal in Samaria and set up images to the heathen god; the judgments of the Lord fell upon Ahab, and he was slain in battle.

VI. Topic: Elijah's obedience and faith. Places: Samaria, Brook Cherith, and Zarephath. Elijah the prophet appeared to Ahab and told him that there would be a great dought and famine in the land which would continue three years; the Lord sent Elijah to the brook Cherith; the ravens fed him there; the brook dried up; Elijah was sent to Zarephath; a widow woman was commanded to feed Elijah; he asked her for a little water; told her to bring him a morsel of bread; she said she had but little; Elijah encouraged her and asked her to bring him a cake first; he said they would all be supplied.

VII. Topic: Elijah meets Obadiah and Ahab. Place: Somewhere in Ahab's kingdom. The famine had lasted three years and six months; the supplies were exhausted; the Lord told Elijah to show himself to Ahab; Obadiah and Ahab were seeking grass; suddenly Elijah appeared to Obadiah and asked him to tell Ahab that Elijah was there; Obadiah feared and said that if he should tell Ahab that Elijah was here, and then the prophet did not appear to Ahab, he would be slain; Elijah said that he would certainly appear.

VIII. Topic: Elijah convincing Israel that Jehovah is the true God. Places: Mount Carmel and Jezreel. A test was proposed by Elijah in order to prove that he was the true God; Baal's prophets prepared their sacrifice and called upon their god to send fire; no answer; Elijah prepared his offering; dug a trench; covered the offering and the altar and filled the trench with water; Elijah then called upon God and fire fell from heaven; the sacrifice and the wood and the stone were consumed, and the water in the trench was licked up; the people said, "Jehovah is God." The 450 prophets of Baal were slain.

IX. Topic: Elijah's flight. Places: Jezreel, Beer-sheba and Horeb. Ahab told Jezebel all Elijah had done; Jezebel sent a messenger warning Elijah that he would be killed; Elijah fled for his life; dismissed his servant; went a day's journey into the wilderness; sent angels to care for him.

X. Topic: God's manner of dealing with Elijah. Place: Horeb the mount of God. Elijah was at Horeb or Sinai in a cave. God asked Elijah why he was there; Elijah told the Lord how zealous he had been, and how they had sought his life; God caused a great wind to rend the mountain and break the rocks, and after the wind an earthquake, and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not revealing Himself in these; following these manifestations the Lord spoke in a still small voice.

XI. Topic: The parting of Elijah and Elisha. Places: Gilgal, Bethel, Jericho, and the place where Elijah was translated; Elijah made a farewell visit to the schools of the prophets; Elijah asked Elisha what he should do for him; Elisha said, "Let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me." Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.

XII. Topic: Israel reproved and exhorted to seek God: Places: Amos was a native of Tekoa, but prophesied at Bethel. Jeroboam II. was King of Israel; the kingdom was prosperous and rich; the people were very wicked and were worshiping idols; because of their sins Amos tells them that they would be carried into captivity.

STATE NEWS BUDGET.

Fought For Not Dancing.

Because John Jordan, seventeen years old, refused to play a harp and dance, he is alleged to have been threatened by William Wells, Gilbert Wells and James Burl, all of Ambler, with harm. Ashton Hasbey, with whom all the parties boarded, interfered and was set upon by the three men and badly beaten. A stone weighing ten pounds was broken over his head and his face was badly cut by a kick. Florence Lewis, the housekeeper, attempted to separate the men and was kicked over the heart for her interference. All the parties are colored and reside at Camp Hill. The assailants fled, and were captured at 2 o'clock in the morning at the Reading Terminal, Philadelphia. Burl and the Wells brothers were committed that afternoon in default of $800 bail each by Magistrate Johnston, of Ambler, charged with assault and battery with intent to kill.

Father Killed, Son Stolen.

The Pittsburg police have discovered that Basile Stephanon, the son of a well-to-do Bulgarian, of Robson, W. Va., was kidnaped. The child is now thought to be on its way to Bulgaria, and the oath of the "Black Hand" Society was fulfilled when Demetrius Stephanon was murdered at Robson, W. Va. Stephanon reached America six months ago with his little son and told the Pittsburg police that he was a marked man, and that his political enemies had sworn to kill him and kidnap his son. He begged the police to keep an eye over the lad, and, hiding him in Pittsburg, he went to West Virginia. On hearing of the mysterious murder of the father at Robson, Superintendent of Detectives McQuaide started to hunt up the little fellow and found that the child had been taken away by some stranger.

Took a Wagonload of Loot.

Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company police are endeavoring to clear up the mystery which enshrouds numerous freight car robberies that have occurred somewhere between Reading and Tamaqua. A car loaded with merchandise consigned to Tamaqua, Bloomsburg, Catawissa and Danville, was shipped from Reading. It arrived in Tamaqua during the night, and when opened in the morning was found to have been robbed. Boxes and crates had been broken into and the most valuable goods taken. The robbers, evidently, were not hasty, as they searched the entire car, carrying away about a wagonload of goods. The officers say that the car could not have possibly been robbed while it was standing on the tracks at Reading.

Six Hurt in Elevator.

Six people were injured, two of them seriously, in an accident which occurred in Pittsburg at the new Oliver Building, when an elevator containing twenty-two people fell from the sixth floor to the bottom of the shaft. The most seriously injured are Miss Josephine O'Brien, of New York City, both legs broken and injured internally, and Annie Auringer, Mount Oliver, left leg broken, bruised, and internal injuries. Both were taken to the Homoeopathic Hospital. The car was overloaded and started to go down rather fast, when the boy in charge became frightened and put on a clutch brake, which broke and precipitated the car to the bottom.

Escaped Convict's Missile.

Mrs. William Sowers, of Sunbury, narrowly escaped having her skull crushed by William Wilson, a convict who served terms in the Eastern Penitentiary and Northumberland County Jail, and who was one of the jail breakers from Montour County prison recently, and was captured at Sunbury. While passing Mrs. Sowers' residence, Wilson, without apparent reason, hurled a stone through a window, the missile grazing Mrs. Sowers' head. He was arrested and threatened to commit suicide at the first opportunity.

Flour Stops a Fire.

With his home struck by a lightning bolt and set on fire, and with no water within reach, Jacob Leib, of Mowry, adopted a novel expedient. There was a large quantity of flour on hand, and this he dumped on the flames, effectually smothering them. The bolt when it struck Leib's house divided. A portion of it flew along the weather-boards, splintering them, and another fork of it compietely destroyed two bedsteads on the second floor.

Tin Plate For Japan.

A rush order for 30,000 boxes of tin plate has been received from Japan by the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company. The tin will be made at the Newcastle tin plate mill. This is the first order for tin plate received from the Japanese Government since the beginning of hostilities with Russia. The tin will be made into cans in which the soldiers will carry food.

Fire Scare Kills a Woman.

The home of Strawn Murphy, a wealthy farmer who lives three miles from Connellsville, was burned to the ground. While the fire raged he and his wife, their daughter and her child, all in bed with typhoid fever, were carried out of the house to the home of a neighbor. Mrs. Murphy was convalescent, but from the fright and exposure she died.

All Through the State.

Work has been started in Birdsboro on the trolley line to Reading.

Several thousand people attended a flag-raising at Molltown, Berks County.

The Markets

Wholesale Prices Quoted in New York

MILK.			
The Milk Exchange price for standard quality is 2½c. per quart.			
BUTTER.			
Creamery—Western, extra	$ 19	@$	19¼
Firsts	17	@	18½
Seconds	14	@	16½
State dairy tubs, firsts	15	@	16
Imitation creamery	13	@	16
Factory, thirds to first	11	@	13¾
CHEESE.			
State—Full cream, fancy	—	@	8⅝
Small	—	@	8¾
Part skims, good to prime	4¾	@	5½
Part skims, common	—	@	3½
Full skims	1½	@	2
EGGS.			
Jersey—Fancy	27	@	28
State and Penn	27	@	28
Western—Choice	21	@	22½
Southern—Choice	18	@	20
BEANS AND PEAS.			
Beans—Marrow, choice	2 80	@	2 82½
Medium, choice	1 90	@	1 95
Pea, choice	1 75	@	1 77½
Red kidney, choice	3 00	@	3 05
White kidney	2 80	@	2 90
Yellow eye	2 75	@	2 80
Black turtle soup	3 00	@	3 10
Lima, Cal	2 67½	@	2 70
FRUITS AND BERRIES—FRESH.			
Apples, Fall Pippin, per bbl	1 50	@	2 25
Twenty Ounce, per bbl	1 50	@	2 00
Pears, Seckel, per keg	1 00	@	1 50
Cooking, per bbl	1 00	@	2 00
Bartlett, per bbl	2 00	@	4 00
Grapes, Concord, per car	60	@	65
Niagara, per carrier	60	@	90
Delaware, per carrier	75	@	90
Peaches, per basket	40	@	1 25
Watermelons, per 100	4 00	@	18 00
Muskmelons, per basket	25	@	1 00
Plums, per basket	30	@	40
Cranberries, C. Cod, per bbl	5 00	@	6 00
LIVE POULTRY.			
Fowls, per lb	—	@	14
Spring chickens, per lb	14	@	15
Roosters, per lb	—	@	10
Turkeys, per lb	—	@	13
Ducks, per pair	40	@	75
Geese, per pair	90	@	1 25
Pigeons, per pair	—	@	20
DRESSED POULTRY.			
Turkeys, per lb	13	@	15
Broilers, Philadelphia	17	@	22
Fowls, Western, per lb	13	@	13½
Spring ducks, per lb	13	@	16
Spring geese, per lb	14	@	17
Squabs, per dozen	1 50	@	2 50
HOPS.			
State, 1903, choice, per lb	33	@	34
Good to prime, per lb	30	@	32
Common to fair	25	@	28
Pacific Coast, 1903, choice	30	@	31
Good to prime, per lb	28	@	29
Common to fair	24	@	27
HAY AND STRAW.			
Hay, prime, per 100 lb	—	@	90
No. 1, per 100 lb	80	@	85
No. 2, per 100 lb	70	@	75
Clover mixed, per 100 lb	50	@	62½
Straw, long rye	85	@	90
VEGETABLES.			
Potatoes, Jersey, per bbl	1 25	@	1 50
L. I., per 180 lbs	1 50	@	1 62
Sweets, per bbl	2 00	@	2 25
Turnips, per bbl	30	@	60
Tomatoes, per box	20	@	50
Egg plant, per basket	25	@	50
Squash, per crate	25	@	1 00
Peas, per bushel	1 00	@	2 75
Peppers, per bbl	50	@	1 25
Lettuce, per dozen	12	@	65
Cabbages, per 100	2 00	@	4 00
Cucumbers, per basket	50	@	1 00
Cucumber pickles, per 1000	50	@	1 75
String beans, per basket	50	@	1 25
Kale, per bbl	40	@	60
Lima beans, per bag	60	@	1 50
Onions, L. I., Yel., per bbl	1 75	@	2 25
Red, per basket	75	@	1 00
Celery, per dozen bunches	10	@	50
Green corn, per 100	75	@	1 75
Cauliflower, per basket	1 00	@	2 50
Brussels sprouts, per qt	5	@	12
GRAIN, ETC.			
Flour—Winter patents	5 25	@	5 60
Spring patents	6 20	@	6 90
Wheat, No. 1 N. Duluth	—	@	1 31¼
No. 2 red	1 22¼	@	1 25¼
Corn, No. 2 white	—	@	61
Oats, mixed	34½	@	36
Clipped, white	38½	@	41
Rye, Western	—	@	70
Lard, city	—	@	7
LIVE STOCK.			
Beeves, city dressed	6½	@	9½
Calves, city dressed	9	@	13
Country dressed	8½	@	11½
Sheep, per 100 lb	2 50	@	4 25
Lambs, per 100 lb	5 00	@	6 25
Hogs, live, per 100 lb	4 40	@	6 45
Country dressed, per lb	7¾	@	8¾

FROST DAMAGES CORN.

But Much of Crop is Already Safe—Abnormal Temperature in California.

Washington, D. C.—The weekly crop bulletin issued by the Weather Bureau says: Nearly normal temperature, with no rain, or very light showers, prevailed over the greater part of the central valleys and interior of the Southern States, while New England and the northern portions of the middle Atlantic States and lake region experienced temperature considerably below normal, light frosts occurring in the upper lake region, upper Mississippi and upper Missouri valleys. Portions of the south Atlantic and Gulf Coast districts and Oklahoma, eastern Kansas, and portions of Iowa and Minnesota received considerable rain, excessive amounts being reported from southern Georgia and eastern Florida.

The damage resulting from light frosts over the extreme northern portion of the corn belt was mainly confined to Minnesota, Wisconsin and upper Michigan. Much corn is already safe, cutting being general in the central and southern portions of the corn belt. The weather has favored threshing in the spring wheat region. While rust and shedding continue over a large part of the cotton belt, reports of injury from these causes are less numerous than was the case previously in the central districts.

Industries Resuming.

The best development of the week, says Dun's Review, was the resumption of work in many industries that have suffered through strikes, while several serious controversies were averted.

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MILL CREEK.

J. Duane Hicks spent Sunday at home.

Miss Kirtpatrick spent Saturday at her home in Shirleysburg.

The M. E. folks are agitating the matter of repairing their church.

Miss Nan Carmon, of Huntingdon, was the guest of her friend, Mrs. Westbrook, Sunday.

Captain Wm. Simpson, of Alexis, Illinois, is spending some time with friends in this vicinity.

Conductor James Buchanan, of the Bedford division, made a short visit at Hotel Simpson recently.

Ira Foust and wife, Chas. Fultz and Mrs. Laidlow visited Mrs. Lutz in Germany valley Sunday.

David Gates, wife and family and Miss Lottie Tate left Monday for an extended trip to northern cities and Niagara Falls.

Supervisor Goodman, of Brady township, raised the new bridge over Saddler creek Monday, near old Lutheran church site.

P. R. R. company is having the paving replaced under Sugar Grove arch, hauling the stone from the river where they were washed by the flood.

Mr. Owen Brunner, of Petersburg, called on friends in the village Thursday. Mrs. Brunner spent Sunday with the family of J. S. Etnier.

John S. Hicks relieved C. I. Fuller, agent at Newton Hamilton, Thursday to allow Mr. Fuller to attend the veteran association meeting at Altoona.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fultz, after an illness of several weeks, died Monday night. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Nicoll.

A real sensation was sprung on some of our people when Mrs. —— from the ridges came to town to investigate one of our haunted houses. The facts given in personal conversation by the lady had the ring of a real red back novel adventure. She and her husband having been hired to occupy the said house during one night and by personal contact with the spirit of the departed one, who has been haunting the house to the detriment of the owner, they were to endeavor to show his ghostship where he was wrong in troubling tenants in such a manner. Having successfully managed such seances before the lady was in no way timid about meeting and conversing with such an occult personage. Promptly about the regular time—between 12 and 1 o'clock—the spirit of Mr. P—, wrapped in his winding sheet, came slowly down the narrow stairs and was duly questioned, giving very satisfactory replies as to why he could not remain in the land beyond this vail of tears, and he can scarcely be blamed when the fact of his having been rushed over the river Styx in such an uncermonious manner, if his tale of woe is to be given consideration. Quite as strange a feature is the fact that so powerful a medium as Mrs. —— has escaped notoriety, especially as she lives in the vicinity where a well known restless spirit was wont to wander in the physical state.

CASSVILLE.

Prof. J. G. Dell and wife are visiting their friends in Smith valley.

Mrs. Elmer Smith was taken sick on Saturday and is still quite ill.

Miss Flora Green has gone to visit her brother Elba at Pittsburg, Pa.

A little child of Jesse Apgar was kicked by a horse on Sunday. Dr. Smith was summoned.

Miss Mary McClain and Jesse Wright, of Mount Union, attended services at Bowman's chapel on Sunday.

Rev. Croft, formerly pastor of the Lutheran church here, preached twice on Sabbath to his old parishoners.

Howard Corbin, W. C. Stever and A. C. Greenland are among the thousands of excursionists at Anteitam battlefield, leaving here on Friday.

Dr. W. W. Evans, presiding elder of the Juniata district, held quarterly meeting services at Bowman's chapel Saturday and Sunday. The large audiences were delighted with the eloquent and spiritual sermons.

The funeral service over the remains of George Spangler on Sunday was conducted by Rev. McClain and Rev. Croft. George was 56 years of age and had always been an invalid. He was deeply attached to his sister, Miss Sue, who gave him every care and attention and lovingly waited on him for more than thirty years. No sacrifice was too great for her to make for him. While others attended church, social gatherings and places of interest she cheerfully and lovingly stayed by his side, ministered to his every want with the devotion of a mother and the Master's words, "She hath done what she could," can surely be applied to her.

KNIGHTSVILLE.

Dry weather.

The farmers have commenced sowing wheat.

Mrs. Ellen Crotsley is not improving very rapidly.

The corn is a much better crop than was anticipated.

The Green heirs are about to sell their property in town.

Miles Brown, of Saltillo, was a recent visitor in this place.

Our school is progressing finely with Prof. Drake at the helm.

Wild turkeys are plenty in this vicinity and are threshing the buckwheat in the fields.

John D. Crotsley had the boss crop of potatoes. He has one that weighs two pounds. Who is next?

Wm. McNerlin has removed a stone row from one of his fields that Christopher Drake and his boys made over fifty years ago.

Samuel Crotsley, a railroad engineer of Altoona, is at home with his sick mother. Mrs. Crotsley has the sympathy of all her neighbors.

Prof. A. W. Greene and his sister, Miss Jennie, of Clarinda, Iowa, are visiting the scenes of their childhood in Cass and Clay townships. He left this valley about thirty-five years ago and consequently very few persons knew him. J. D. Crotsley, J. M. Drake, T. R. Henderson, Henry Hudson, H. T. Weaver and W. H. Cornelius are among the few who remember him except his relatives.

THREE SPRINGS.

The melancholy days have come.

Rally Day services will be held in the M. E. church on Sunday morning, October 2nd.

Harry Covert and family, of Pittsburg, are visiting at their parental homes in Three Springs.

C. E. Starr is erecting a large wareroom on the foundation of his storeroom destroyed by fire.

Mrs. Lucinda Cromwell, who had been ill for a few days, we are glad to say, was able to take her place as a saleslady in Clay Park's store.

Miss Edwina B. Stevens has gone to Williamsport, Pa., where she will be the guest of her cousin, Rev. Emory Stevens, for several weeks.

Misses Verna Starr and Mattie L. Weight left Monday for Poughkeepsie, New York, where they will resume their work in the H. R. S. hospital.

The members of the Baptist church of Three Springs held a festival in the town hall on Saturday evening, the funds to aid in purchasing a new organ. Ice cream, cake, chicken soup and coffee were served.

Mrs. Lillian Barnhardt, accompanied her sister, Mrs. C. I. Ashman, to Philipsburg last week where they will visit their brother, H. H. Asham, and wife. The latter will spend the winter in New York City.

LATTA GROVE.

Tuesday, 20th, rain and warm.

G. D. Lynn is putting up a spring house wall for Jack Dell.

L. R. Bowman killed seven water snakes all on one pile.

Mrs. M. A. Bowman is visiting her daughters at Allegheny.

Mrs. Hanawalt, of Lewistown, is paying a visit to her many friends in the valley.

While 'coon hunting Elmer Bowman and brother, Lary, kill fourteen polecats in two nights.

Dogs have been among Alvah Dell's sheep and two are missing. He does not know whether they were killed or not.

The Cobweb Romance.

From the Chester Times.

A young woman of this city who was secretly married a few months ago under the notion that a touch of the romantic was included in that method of entering wedded life, tells a reporter of the Times in an interview that she had never ceased grieving over the blunder. Other young people who entertain the same goose notions in reference to a runaway match, would do well to ponder the remorseful statements of this bride of a secret marriage.

When the bans were published, she says, the news was not received with enthusiasm by her friends, some of whom were lost absolutely by the wanton trespass upon the claims of friendship. People are not prone to easily forget a personal grievance and this young wife finds herself estranged from many of the acquaintances of her girlhood because of the foolishness of following the bent of so-called romance—the romance of the five-cent novel. But there are other griefs. The story of the wedding is always a fascinating one to the young and this chapter was deliberately cut out of the life book of this cobweb romance bride, together with all the delightful associations of the preparation, the congratulations and the scenes wherein the new wife is for the time the queen holding court.

Now, after friends have been put at a chilling distance by a breach of life's courtesies and all romance has faded out of the secret marriage through the realities of the daily battle, this wife of six months finds the process of setting up housekeeping a much more expensive part of matrimonial partnership than it would have been with the wedding as the prelude, for she has no bridal gifts to aid in furnishing and that is a calamity, indeed.

So, after a retrospect not filled with the pleasantest memories, but abounding in self-reproach, this young wife tells the girls that there is not only much romance in the wedding surrounded by friends, but a thousand times more sense than in the secret marriage.

Locked in Safe.

Locked in his safe after he had been robbed of $14,000, County Treasurer T. J. Case, of Pomeroy, Ohio, on Friday last managed to telegraph to a man outside the combination of the safe, and so secured his freedom after two hours imprisonment. He was bound hand and foot, and as his voice could not be heard through the big steel door would have been suffocated had not his wife, who went to the office in search of him, heard his tapping on the safe door.

There being a county fair in progress there, all the court house officials except Treasurer Case and the county auditor took a holiday and Case was alone in his office shortly before noon when two men walked in and called to him to hold up his hands. He looked up from his work and found the muzzle of a revolver a few inches in front of his eyes. It was in the hands of a man of great size, who was masked and wore a broad brimmed hat. A second robber stood behind him also masked.

At the point of the revolver the big man forced Treasurer Case to open the door of the inner office, in which the big safe stood open. He was forced to stand beside the door of the vault while his captors rifled the cash drawers. In one of the compartments they found $14,000 in bills, which they divided. Several heavy bags of silver and one containing $5,000 in gold were handled by the robbers, but they decided not to take them. When they had assured themselves that there was no more paper money they tied Case's hands and feet and pushed him into the vault. The big door was closed and he heard the bolts shot home and the locking disk whirled around.

After tapping for two hours it was heard by his wife. He tried in vain to give the combination but could not make himself heard. Cashier of the City Bank Plantz was sent for but with little better success did he get the combination.

Shouting as loudly as he could, he directed Case to signal the combination by tapping on the door with his boot heel. Every rap on the right hand side of the lock was to indicate that the disk was to be turned ten numbers in that direction, and every rap on the left hand side ten numbers in that direction. After considerable trouble, Case indicated that he understood the plan and it was at once put into execution. Several times the combination was worked and failed, and in the meantime Mrs. Case had telephoned to the fair grounds for the deputy treasurer, who was found, and who at once started back to town. Before he arrived, however, Cashier Plantz had succeeded in working the combination and Treasurer Case was released. He was found to be almost suffocated and physicians declare that if he had remained in the safe for another hour he would have succumbed.

Fearful Odds Against Him.

Bedridden, alone and destitute. Such, in brief was the condition of an old soldier by name of J. J. Havens, Versailles, O. For years he was troubled with Kidney disease and neither doctors nor medicines gave him relief. At length he tried Electric Bitters. It put him on his feet in short order and now he testifies, "I'm on the road to complete recovery." Best on earth for Liver and Kidney troubles and all forms of Stomach and Bowel Complaints. Only 50c. Guaranteed by Wright & Dell.

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Our sales last year were larger than the year before, the cash sales being more than 100 per cent. larger, proving to us that our prices, quality considered, must have been about right. We think we know What, When and Where to buy. Paying spot cash for goods as soon as they are in and examined gives us another advantage over many of our competitors.

There have been many changes since we started. We have seen many come and go. They commence by telling the people that the older stores have been overcharging them; that they will sell much cheaper. They fool part of the people for a time but they soon find our prices are as low, if not lower than theirs.

We want more cash and prompt paying customers, and name you low prices. There are others we do not want, those who think the world owes them a living whether they earn it or not. All our goods are marked in plain figures, one price to all. A child can buy as cheap as the parent.

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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

SCHEDULE IN EFFECT MAY 29, 1904.

	D'ly. P.M.	D'ly. Night	D'ly. A.M.	D ly. A.M.	D'ly. A. M	D'ly ex.S. P.M.
New York:						
W. 23d St. Sta.	7 55	12 10	. . .	. . .	8 55	. .
Desb's St. Sta.	8 00	12 15	. . .	. . .	9 00	. .
Cort'dtSt. Sta.	8 00	12 15	. . .	. . .	9 00	. .
Philadelphia	11 40	4 25	7 10	. . .	11 40	5 30
Washington.	10 40	. . .	7 50	. . .	10 50	5 40
Baltimore	11 55	4 44	8 52	. . .	12 00	7 00

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Harrisburg	2 50	8 00	11 48	. .	3 10	5 00	10 35
Rockville	. .	8 12	11 59	.	. .	5 13	10 46
Marysville.	f3 04	8 17	12 03	. .	. .	5 18	10 49
Duncannon	f3 18	8 35	12 16	. .	3 35	5 36	11 03
Newport	f3 40	9 05	12 37	. .	3 55	6 06	11 25
Millerst'wn	. .	9 14	f12 45	. .	. .	6 17	f11 34
Thom's't'n	. . .	9 25	f12 53	. .	. .	6 28	f11 42
Port Royal	f4 13	9 43	1 07	. .	f4 22	6 47	f11 57
Mifflin	4 28	9 48	1 11	. .	4 27	6 52	12 01
Lewist'n Jc.	4 40	10 14	1 30	. .	4 46	7 17	12 22
McVeytown	f5 02	10 39	1 48	. .	f5 04	7 42	. .
N. Hamilt'n	f5 21	11 01	f2 04	. .	. .	8 03	. .
Mt. Union	f5 27	11 07	2 08	. .	5 25	8 10	. .
Mapleton	f5 33	11 13	f2 14	. .	. .	8 17	. .
Huntingdon	5 50	11 32	2 29	. .	5 45	8 35	. .
Petersburg.	f6 07	11 47	2 43	. .	. .	8 50	. .
Birm'gham.	f6 35	12 13	3 07	. .	H6 20	9 14	. .
Tyrone	6 42	12 20	3 12	. .	6 26	9 21	. .
Bellwood	7 07	12 41	3 29	. .	6 47	9 38	. .
Altoona	7 30	1 00	3 45	. .	7 05	9 55	. .
Pittsburg	12 10	5 50	8 45	. .	10 50	1 50	. .
	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	A.M.	A.M.

"f" stops on signal to discharge passengers from Harrisburg and east and south of Harrisburg.

"H" stops on signal to let off passengers from points east and south of Harrisburg, and receive passengers for Pittsburg and beyond.

Additional trains leave Harrisburg for Altoona and Pittsburg as follows: 1.35, 2.41, 11.45 a.m., 12.55, 2.53, 3.05, 7.20, 9.48, 11.05 and 11.50 p. m. daily.

	Week days. A.M.	D'ly. A.M.	D'ly. A.M.	D'ly. A.M.	D'ly. P.M.	D'ly. P.M.	D'ly. P.M.
Pittsburg	. . .	3 00	3 00	8 00	. .	12 45	4 55
Altoona	5 00	6 25	7 05	11 43	1 50	5 55	9 05
Bellwood	f5 12	. .	7 20	m11 55	2 04	6 10	9 19
Tyrone	5 24	6 47	7 38	12 06	2 20	6 27	9 33
Birm'gham	f5 28	. .	7 43	g12 10	2 25	6 32	P9 38
Petersburg.	f5 46	. .	8 07	. .	2 48	f6 56	. .
Huntingdon	5 57	7 17	8 20	12 37	3 02	7 10	10 12
Mapleton	f6 11	. .	8 36	. .	3 19	7 24	. .
Mt. Union	f6 17	. .	8 42	m12 56	3 26	7 29	f10 32
N. Hamiltonf	6 22	. .	8 46	. .	3 32	7 34	. .
McVeytown.	6 40	. .	9 05	m1 16	3 53	f7 51	. .
Lewist'n Jc.	7 00	f8 05	9 27	1 35	4 17	8 10	11 16
Mifflin	7 22	. .	9 48	m1 52	4 41	8 30	f11 37
Port Royal	7 27	. .	9 52	. .	4 46	8 34	. .
Thom's't'n	7 42	. .	10 08	. .	5 04	f8 48	. .
Millerstown.	7 51	. .	10 18	. .	5 15	f8 57	. .
Newport	8 00	. .	10 28	L2 24	5 25	9 05	. .
Duncannon	8 27	. .	10 52	L2 44	5 55	f9 29	. .
Marysville	8 44	. .	11 07	. .	6 15	f9 43	. .
Rockville	8 48	. .	11 12	.	6 22	f9 48	. .
Harrisburg	9 00	9 30	11 25	3 10	6 35	10 00	1 00

	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	A.M.	A.M.
Baltimore	. .	12 15	. .	6 00	9 45	2 20	. .
Washington	. .	1 20	. .	7 15	. .	3 30	. .
Philadelphia	11 48	12 17	*3 17	6 23	10 47	4 23	4 23
New York:							
Desb's St.	2 03	2 53	*5 53	9 30	3 53	7 13	7 13
Cort'dt St.	2 03	2 53	*5 53	9 30	3 53	7 13	7 13
W. 23d St.	2 15	3 00	*6 00	9 40	. .	7 15	7 15
	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.

Additional trains leave Pittsburg for Altoona, Harrisburg, and Philadelphia as follows: 3.35, 7.15 and 7.30 a. m., 12.01, 4.50, 7.10, 9.00 and 10 00 p. m. daily.

*Week days only. "g" stops to let off passengers from Pittsburg and beyond, and to take on passengers for Harrisburg and beyond. "f" stops only on signal, or notice to agent or conductor, to receive or discharge passengers.

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"m" passenger section will stop on signal to discharge or receive passengers.

"p" stops to discharge passengers from East Liberty, Pittsburg and beyond.

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For Milroy 7.40 a. m., 1.50 and 4 50 p. m. week days.

For Reedsville 6.05, 7.40 a. m., 1.50, and 4.50 p. m. week days.

At Huntingdon—For Bedford and Cumberland 8.35 a. m. and 5.55 p. m. week days. Bedford only 8.35 a. m. Sundays.

At Tyrone—For Clearfield, Curwensville and Grampain, 8.00 a. m., 3.55 and 6.50 p. m. week days, and 8.00 a. m. Sundays.

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On and after Monday, June 29, 1903, trains will arrive and depart as follows:

SOUTH Expr's A M	SOUTH Mail P M	STATIONS	NORTH Mail A M	NORTH F.Line P M
8 35	5 56	Huntingdon	11 10	5 15
8 45	6 05	McConnellstown	11 00	5 05
8 50	6 09	Grafton	10 56	5 00
8 55	6 14	Brumbaugh	10 51	4 55
8 59	6 18	Marklesburg	10 47	4 51
9 06	6 25	Entrikin	10 40	4 44
9 11	6 30	Beaver	10 35	4 39
9 16	6 35	Cove	10 30	4 34
9 27	6 46	Saxton	10 20	4 23
9 31	6 50	Clark	10 15	4 18
9 39	6 58	Riddlesburg	10 08	4 11
9 44	7 02	Hopewell	10 04	4 07
9 56	7 10	Cypher	9 56	3 59
10 07	7 19	Tatesville	9 46	3 50
10 17	7 27	Everett	9 38	3 43
10 20	7 30	Mt. Dallas	9 35	3 40
10 43	7 50	Bedford	9 15	3 20
11 35	8 35	Hyndman	8 28	2 30
12 05	9 05	Cumberland	8 00	2 00

Sunday train leaves Huntingdon at 8.35 a. m and returning 5.30 p. m.

SHOUP'S BRANCH.

SOUTH Expr's A M	STATIONS	NORTH Expr's P M
9 35	Saxton	4 00
9 50	Coalmont	3 45
	Crawford	
10 05	Dudley	3 30

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Schedule in Effect June 27, 1904

SOUTHWARD	No. 2 a.m.	No. 4 p.m.	No. 6 a.m.	No. 8 a.m.
Mount Union LEAVE	9 05	3 50	11 15	. .
Augh. Mills	9 22	4 08	11 32	. .
Shirley	9 35	4 20	11 45	. .
Orbisonia	9 50	4 35	12 00	. .
	10 00	4 45	1 40	5 30
Pogue	10 12	4 57	1 57	5 40
Three Springs	10 23	5 12	2 10	5 50
Saltillo	10 30	5 25	2 20	5 58
Cole's	11 03	5 58	2 50	6 30
Rocky Ridge	11 08	6 03	2 55	6 35
Cook's	11 18	6 13	3 05	6 45
Robertsdale	11 30	6 25	3 15	6 55
Woodvale ARRIVE	. . .	. . .	. .	7.00
	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	a.m.
NORTHWARD	No. 1 A.M.	No. 3 P.M.	No. 5 A.M.	No. 7 P.M.
Woodvale LEAVE	. . .	. . .	. .	4 25
Robertsdale	6 05	12 45	8 20	4 30
Cook's	6 15	12 55	8 30	4 40
Rocky Ridge	6 25	1 03	8 38	4 48
Cole's	6 30	1 09	8 43	4 55
Saltillo	7 00	1 38	9 12	5 25
Three Springs	7 08	1 45	9 20	5 32
Pogue	7 20	1 57	†9 32	5 42
Orbisonia	7 35	2 15	9 50	5 55
	7 45	2 20	10 00	. .
Shirley	8 00	2 35	10 15	. .
Augh. Mills	8 10	2 45	†10 25	. .
Mount Union ARRIVE	8 30	3 05	10 45	. .
	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.

SHADE GAP BRANCH.

SOUTHWARD No. 12 p.m.	No. 10 a.m.	STATIONS	NORTHWARD No. 9 a.m.	No. 11 p.m
4 50	8 45	Lv. Orbisonia Ar	9 45	5 45
4 58	8 52	*Blacklog	9 38	5 38
5 06	9 00	*Cedar Rock	9 30	5 30
5 09	9 03	*Locke Valley	9 27	5 27
5 15	9 10	Ar. Shade Gap Lv	9 20	5 20
p.m.	a.m.		a.m.	p.m.

All trains run daily except Sunday.

The Company reserves the right to vary from the above Time-Table without notice.

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† Trains will not stop.

R. S. SEIBERT, General Manager

The October "Smart Set."

The October number of *The Smart Set* is a veritable mine of brilliant stories and poems. "Moored," by Anna A. Rogers, is the title of the novelette which opens the issue. It is a story full of power and quiet humor, dealing with the temptation which comes to the young wife of a naval officer while he is abroad and she is "moored" at home. The tale leaves a remarkable vivid impression and will attract wide attention.

Gouverneur Morris, in his short story, "The Lady of Moods," has written as striking a piece of work as has recently appeared in any magazine. Its wonderful art stamps this young author as a genius. In a wholly different vein is the late Guy Wetmore Carryl's humorous tale, "A Tide in the Affairs of Stephen Girdler." It is brimful of delightful character drawing. In "The Two Ghosts" Richard Le Gallienne is at his best as a good-natured satirist and brilliant epigrammatist. "When Delos Drifted," a story by Beatrix Demarest Lloyd, a new writer of great promise, is one of the most notable in the number, though one must remember the poetic beauty of Zona Gale's "A Land a Great Way Off," the intense realism of Theodore Waters's "The Passing of Gon Out," the keen analytical power of Willard French's "The Mastiff," a story of political life in Washington, and the cleverness of Barry Pain's "The Rewards of Preseverance," the last and perhaps the best in the series of detective stories which the distinguished English author has written exclusively for *The Smart Set*.

Two essays, one by Agnes Repplier, the other by F. J. Knight Adkin, add charm to this number; and there are excellent poems by such favorite verse-writers as Joaquin Miller, Ernest McGaffey, Theodosia Garrison, Madeline Bridges, P. McArthur, Frank Lillie Pollock, Thomas Walsh and Arthur Macy. Variety is the distinguishing note of the October *Smart Set*, and no two of its stories are in any way alike.

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ESTRAY.—Came to the premises of the undersigned near Saltillo, several weeks ago, a red and white spotted steer with the end off his right ear. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges and take him away or he will be disposed of according to law.

Aug. 31, 1904. HENRY BANKS.

NOTICE.—My store books, notes, etc., are still in the hands of Geo. W. Wright and have been since I sold out my business in Mapleton. I will place them in the hands of a Justice of the Peace for collection after October 1st. I trust all those knowing themselves indebted to me will call and make settlement at once.

A. B. GILLAM.

Tyrone, Pa., Aug. 2, '04.

PRIVATE SALE.—The undersigned will offer at private sale the real estate of George R. Abbott, late of Clay township, deceased. The property consists of a tract of 3 acres of land, having thereon erected a two-story Log Dwelling House and summer kitchen, a good stable with buggy shed attached and a small outhouse. The property is situate 2½ miles southwest of Saltillo along the public road leading to New Grenada, Robertsdale and Cassville. For further particulars inquire of J. H. HOFFMAN, Exr., Saltillo, Huntingdon Co., Pa.

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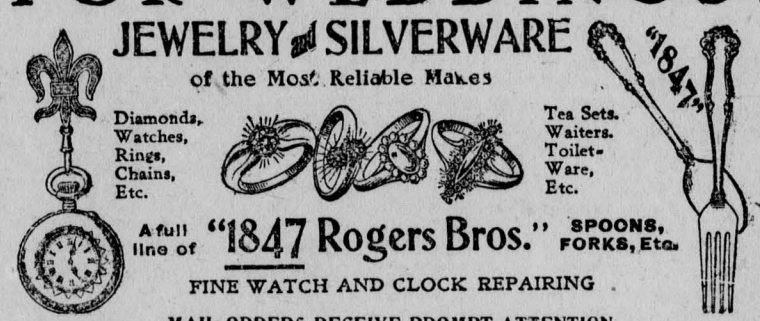

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HIGGINS FOR GOVERNOR

New York Republicans Nominate Their State Ticket.

M. LINN BRUCE IN SECOND PLACE

After a Short Convention at Saratoga the Party Adopts Its Platform—Synopsis of the Resolutions—The Career of the Gubernatorial Candidate — The Proceedings in Brief.

Saratoga, N. Y. — The Republican State Convention, meeting in the convention hall at Saratoga, adjourned after unanimously nominating the following State ticket:

For Governor—Frank W. Higgins, of Cattaraugus.

For Lieutenant-Governor — M. Linn Bruce, of New York.

For Secretary of State — John F. O'Brien, of Clinton.

For Attorney-General — Julius M. Mayer, of New York.

For Controller—Otto Kelsey, of Livingston.

For State Treasurer—John G. Wallenmeier, of Erie.

For State Engineer and Surveyor—Henry A. Van Alstyne, of Columbia.

For Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals—Edgar M. Cullen (Democrat), of Kings.

For Associate Judge of the Court of Appeals—William E. Werner (Republican), of Monroe.

Timothy L. Woodruff withdrew as a candidate for Governor just as the roll of delegates was to be called and after the nominating speeches had been made.

The platform indorses the administrations of President Roosevelt and Governor Odell, and approves the declaration of principles adopted by the Republican National Convention.

It was nearly noon when J. Sloat Fassett, the temporary chairman, called the convention to order, and, after dispatching routine business, made way for the nomination and election of Senator George R. Malby, of St. Lawrence County, as permanent chairman. Escorted by Congressman Sereno E. Payne and Senator John Raines, the chairman went to the platform and at once proceeded to his speech, which was well received, and when at its climax Senator Malby mentioned the name of the President there was a demonstration.

Then John A. Sleicher, of New York, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, read the platform prepared by Edward Lauterbach.

After the report of the committee had been adopted, nominations for Governor were declared in order by Chairman Malby, and Assemblyman Arthur C. Wade, of Chautauqua, made the nominating speech for Senator Higgins.

William A. Prendergast, of Brooklyn, then presented the name of former Lieutenant-Governor Woodruff.

Assemblyman James T. Rogers, Republican leader in the lower house of the Legislature, then took the platform to second Woodruff's nomination. W. W. Niles, of New York, followed Mr. Rogers and seconded the nomination of Lieutenant-Governor Higgins. F. R. Hazard, of Syracuse, also seconded the nomination of Mr. Higgins. Mr. Hazard was the first speaker to speak from his place in the delegation.

Chairman Malby then announced the roll call, but Mr. Woodruff interrupted. He announced that he would withdraw from the candidacy and would commit the Kings County delegation to greater effort than ever before for the success of the ticket. He moved that the secretary cast one ballot for the selection of Mr. Higgins as a candidate for Governor. The motion was carried, and Secretary Fox obeyed it.

"Hail to the Chief" was played by the band, and the delegates rose and gave three cheers for Higgins.

Abe Gruber nominated M. Linn Bruce for Lieutenant-Governor. "I second the nomination of Mr. Bruce!" roared a delegate from Delaware County, where Mr. Bruce was born, and Secretary Fox, on motion of Senator Raines, cast a single ballot, which nominated Mr. Bruce by acclamation.

Senator Depew nominated John F. O'Brien for Secretary of State. Mr. O'Brien's nomination was made by acclamation, and so were all the others as follows:

Otto Kelsey was nominated by Representative James W. Wadsworth, of Geneseo, for the office of Controller; John G. Wallenmeier was nominated for State Treasurer by Deputy State Controller Timmerman, of Buffalo; Julius M. Mayer was nominated for Attorney-General by Assemblyman Josiah T. Newcomb; Henry A. Van Alstyne was nominated for State Engineer and Surveyor by William P. Rudd, of Albany.

There was not even the semblance of a speech in nominating Chief Judge Edgar M. Cullen for that place. Senator Raines merely moved that the Secretary cast the ballot of the convention for Chief Judge Cullen. On motion of James G. Cutler, of Rochester, similar action was taken in nominating William E. Werner as Associate Judge of the Court of Appeals.

The State committee was authorized by the convention to fill all vacancies in its ranks and to provide for all State nominations that may be necessary next year. The nominees of the convention will be formally notified of their selection by a committee made up of one member from each Congress district, with Senator Malby as chairman. The convention then at 2.30 p. m. adjourned.

The Platform in Brief.

The platform adopted, although brief, was not of such record-breaking brevity as had been announced, consisting of more than 1000 instead of 600 words.

After referring to the fifty years of the Republican party's life, congratulating the country on the results of the recent elections, indorsing President Roosevelt and approving the National platform adopted in Chicago, it deals with State issues as follows:

"We commend the firm reason, abiding common sense and strict integrity, unmoved by assaults from enemies or pleas from friends, with which Governor Odell has conducted the affairs of this State and safeguarded with zealous care its vast and complicated interests.

"We believe in the policy of raising revenues for State maintenance by indirect taxation. The effective measures of the Republican party in this direction constitute the greatest step taken in the history of our commonwealth for the relief of taxpayers. If any taxes heretofore levied, especially such as affect the savings of the people, appear to be unjust or unnecessary, we favor such revision of the tax laws as will correct such condition.

"The people of the State have decreed that the canals shall be improved, and we reaffirm the position heretofore taken by the party in regard to good roads, for the construction of which the State has already paid or appropriated over $3,250,000.

"We believe in increasing the effectiveness of the school system, greater appropriations for common schools and the extension of free tuition in high schools, and we favor the still further building up of the State's educational facilities wherever practicable.

"We claim credit for the legislation which unified the State Educational Departments and completely removed State educational activities from the field of politics.

"We believe in maintaining the laws for safeguarding the interests of labor as well as of capital, and in extending such laws whenever additional safeguards may be necessary.

"We believe in the further purchase and preservation of forest lands in the Adirondack and Catskill parks by the State and adequate appropriations therefor. We congratulate the people of this commonwealth on the satisfactory condition of the State treasury. National as well as State policies are involved in the outcome of our State election, and we commend to every citizen the faithful performance of his patriotic duty."

Frank Wayland Higgins, for two years Lieutenant-Governor, and before that State Senator for nine years, was born at Rushford, Allegany County, N. Y., August 18, 1856. His father was a successful business man and his grandfather a physician. The education of the youth was secured at Rushford Academy and the Riverview Military Academy, in Poughkeepsie, from which he was graduated in 1873. After a year of commercial college training and another year spent in travel at the age of nineteen he embarked in business for himself in Stanton, Mich., and became interested in mines and timber lands. While there he was married in 1878 to Miss Kate C. Noble, of Sparta, Mich. The following year he returned to New York State, took charge of the extensive grocery business of Higgins, Blodgett & Co., in Olean, N. Y., of which his father was senior partner. It was in 1893 that he was first elected a State Senator in the old Thirty-second District, comprising Cattaraugus, Allegany and Chautauqua counties. In 1902 Senator Higgins was nominated by the Republican convention in Saratoga to succeed Timothy L. Woodruff as Lieutenant-Governor, and was elected. Lieutenant-Governor Higgins has a fine home in Olean, N. Y. His business interests include the management of pine lands in Wisconsin, iron lands in the Mesaba region, lumber tracts in Oregon, shares in the banks and electric light company of Olean, an interest in glass works there and in steamers on the great lakes. He had the reputation at Albany of being the best dressed man in the Senate.

HEIR TO ITALY'S THRONE.

The Long Desired Son Born to King Victor—Will Be Named Humbert.

London, England.—A dispatch to a news agency from Rome says that the Queen was accouched of the long desired son and heir to the throne.

The young Prince will be named Humbert.

Victor Emmanuel III. succeeded to the throne on the death of his father, King Humbert I., on July 29, 1900. He was married in 1896 to Princess Helena of Montenegro. Two daughters have been born to them, the Princess Yolande, on June 1, 1901, and the Princess Mufalda, November 19, 1902.

BRITISH SHIPS HELD UP.

Two Stopped and Searched by the Russian Warship Terek Near Gibraltar.

London, England.—The Russian warship Terek stopped the British steamship Treherbert near Gibraltar and searched her.

Lloyd's agent in the Dardanelles telegraphs that the Terek also stopped and searched the British steamship Margit Groedel.

DEMOCRATS NAME BLACK.

Candidate is Nominated by Acclamation—Platform Adopted.

Trenton, N. J.—Charles C. Black, of Hudson County, a member of the State Board of Taxation, was nominated by acclamation as the Democratic candidate for Governor.

The platform makes a vigorous attack on the State and national administrations of the Republicans.

MAYOR KILLED BY THIEVES

Shot While Assisting Town Marshal in Making Arrest.

Thomson, Ill., Thrown Into State of Wild Excitement by the Affair—Mob Threatens Lynching.

Thomson, Ill.—This village was thrown into great excitement by two robbers, who subsequently gave their names as John Thompson and William Myers. They shot and instantly killed Mayor V. S. Bennett. The men, after a long chase, were captured and lodged in the village jail, where an angry mob soon collected, and threats of lynching were heard. The mob lacked a leader to do violence.

The murder was the result of robbing Creno Geison's saloon at Chadwick early in the morning. The two men robbed the place and then in true hold-up style, drove at breakneck speed from the village toward Thomson, eight miles distant.

Marshal Matthews, of Thomson, was notified by telegraph to be on the lookout for the robbers. A few minutes before 10 o'clock the marshal entered the only saloon in Thomson, where he found the two men. Matthews hurried from the place to secure assistance.

He found Mayor Bennett and together they returned to the saloon. The marshal placed the two men under arrest, but met with considerable resistance and called to the Mayor for help.

The Mayor had barely moved toward the men when each pulled a revolver and fired. Three bullets hit the Mayor in the region of the heart. The Mayor dropped to the floor of the saloon. Brandishing their revolvers the men broke away from the marshal and hurried down the street.

The shooting was heard for several blocks, and in an instant the crowd formed a posse, and, headed by the marshal, they gave pursuit to the fleeing men. The men fired six shots into the crowd, all without effect. The marshal kept firing, and shot Thompson in the leg, causing him to surrender, while Myers continued his flight. He was finally captured and both men were lodged in the village jail.

News of the murder spread rapidly, and soon a large crowd collected and threats of a lynching were freely made.

Prosperity Emphasized.

More expressions of opinion were obtained from bankers attending the convention in New York City, regarding the commercial, financial and political situation in the various sections of the country from which they come. The evidence thus obtained indicates a general condition of prosperity all over the United States, and also shows that among the officers of financial institutions little anxiety attends the prospect of a hard battle at the National election.

Molineauxs Save Lives.

General E. L. Molineaux and Roland Molineux, who was twice placed on trial for murder and finally acquitted, led a party into a gas filled cellar at their paint factory in Brooklyn, N. Y., and saved two workmen.

Prince Visits Betrothed.

Crown Prince Frederick William and his betrothed, the Duchess Cecilia, of Mecklinburg-Schwerin, visited the Grand Duke at Schwerin with the Kaiser and Kaiserin.

Turkey to Pay Claim.

The Ottoman Bank informed the American Legation at Constantinople that it holds $25,000 to pay the claim for land of an American citizen illegally seized at Smyrna.

British and Tibetan Prisoners Out.

In accordance with the treaty, the British and Tibetan prisoners were released. Some of the Tibetan prisoners had been in captivity for more than twenty years.

To Prison For Life.

Waiving a jury trial, Fred Strube, who killed his swetheart last winter because she refused to marry him, was at Havana, Ill., sent to prison for life.

To Try Militiamen.

Governor Terrill, of Georgia, has ordered a court-martial to try the militia officers who failed to prevent the lynching at Statesboro.

Baltimore Celebrates.

A general holiday was observed at Baltimore, Md., the other day, it being the anniversary of the battle of North Point in 1814.

Famine in Mukden.

Foodstuffs were reported to be almost unprocurable at Mukden and civilians there were threatened with starvation.

Big Fire at Halifax.

Fire in Halifax, N. S., did $500,000 damage, and only a shift in the wind saved the town from a great conflagration.

Bank Robber Killed.

Alva Rivers was killed while robbing the bank at Warsaw, Ohio. The village marshal emptied a shotgun into his body.

Prince Bismarck Dead.

Prince Herbert Bismarck, eldest son of the Iron Chancellor, died at Friedrichsruh, Germany.

ROBBED BY TRAIN BANDITS

Rock Island Passenger Train Held Up and Express Safe Looted.

Thieves Keep Up a Fusilade Alongside of Train to Keep Passengers From Interfering — Bloodhounds on the Trail.

Chicago, Ill.—Five robbers held up a Rock Island passenger train near Letts, Ia., a small town near Davenport, shortly after 12 o'clock in the morning. The express messenger was compelled to open the door. The car safe was blown open and after securing its contents, the robbers made good their escape.

The amount of booty taken is not known, but one report places the amount at $10,000. Express officials here, however, say that the safe was a local one and contained little money.

A reward of $1000 was offered by the Rock Island Railroad and the United States Express companies, jointly, for the capture of any one of the robbers.

Posses brought by three special trains and reinforced by scores of citizens in the neighborhood pursued the five men.

Two packs of bloodhounds assisted the posses. One pack near Columbus Junction struck a trail three hours after it was made by the robbers.

There were more than 100 men in the regular organized party, and twice that many more were searching separately with more or less diligence. The robbers were supposed to have left the line of the railroad near Letts, toward which place they started on the locomotive of the train which they had robbed. The passengers were not molested. None of the trainmen showed fight, and no one was hurt.

The train was one which left Chicago at 6.05 at night. As it was passing on a sharp curve a few miles east of Letts the engineer stopped in answer to a red light. Five men covered the engineer, fireman, express messenger and conductor with revolvers, uncoupled the engine from the rest of the train, entered the express car and blew open the safe. They took the contents of the strong box and ran to the engine, on which they at once started toward Letts.

There was no way in which the trainmen could pursue the robbers, or get word ahead of them. By the time the conductor could walk to the nearest telegraph office, the robbers had at least an hour's start.

The robbery was committeed at exactly the point a similar hold-up was carried out two years ago by the Chicago car barn bandits.

A fusillade of shots was fired along the sides of the train to prevent interference by the passengers. The messenger of the express car was compelled to open the door. The manner in which the robbers handled the engine, their knowledge of the fact that Letts was a closed station at night, and the selection of a point contiguous to Columbus Junction to abandon the engine, convinces the officers that the robbers, or some of them, are experienced railroad men.

LONGEST DROUGHT IN 20 YEARS.

Talbot County, Md., Suffering From Lack of Rain.

Easton, Md.—Talbot County is experiencing the longest and most disastrous drought in the past twenty years, while the adjoining counties of Caroline, Queen Anne's and Dorchester have frequently been blessed with numerous and refreshing rains.

The tomato crop is suffering greatly, and a shortage is much feared. The corn is also suffering, and the dry ground is hampering the plowing for wheat.

Wells and running streams are going dry, making it a serious matter in some cases for farmers to water stock.

ALBANIANS REVOLT AGAIN.

Turkey Mobilizing Militia — Rebels Have 30,000 Martini Rifles.

Salonika.—Sixteen battalions of Ilaves (local militia) have been ordered to mobilize in the districts of Kilkish, Seres, and Berat. They will be dispatched to Prizren to suppress the insurgent Albanians.

A Salonika Ilave battalion left here for Prizren.

The Albanians are again revolting, and are demanding the acceptance of their demands in full.

A FOUNDRY DYNAMITED.

Much Damage Done at Watervliet—Man Shot by a Watchman.

Troy, N. Y.—The West Side Foundry, at Watervleit, was dynamited at night. Considerable damage was done, and James McGlynn, who rushed to the scene, was shot in the right foot by a watchman after the explosion. The explosion was heard for miles.

Employes of the foundry have been on strike for some time past.

Steerage Rate Cut.

A cut in steerage rates from London and Liverpool, England, to Quebec, Canada, was made by the Allan, Dominion and Canadian Pacific steamship lines.

Rioting in Silesia.

The military had to be called out at Sosnowice, Prussian Silesia, to suppress anti-Jewish rioting. Twelve or fifteen Jews were injured with stones and others were stabbed.

RUSSIAN SHIP AT 'FRISCO

Auxiliary Cruiser Lena Drops Anchor at Pacific Port.

Anxiety Felt by Merchants and Japs—President Decides That the Ship Must Dismantle.

Oyster Bay, N. Y.—The Russian auxiliary cruiser Lena, which put into San Francisco some days ago, must leave that port within a brief time prescribed by this Government to make necessary repairs, or must be dismantled. This, in brief, it can be said on authority, is the decision of President Roosevelt, to whom the question was referred by the officials at Washington, D. C.

The President spent most of a day reading the reports from Washington bearing on the case. The special wires running into the executive offices were kept warm with messages between the department heads at the capital and their chief at his home in this village. The President, of course, would prefer to adjust the affair so as to satisfy both of the belligerent powers, but he will not under any circumstances swerve from the letter of his neutrality proclamation issued at the beginning of hostilities. If he is convinced that the commander of the Russian ship merely wishes to make sufficient repairs to enable him to take the vessel to the nearest Russian port, he may do so. If, on the other hand, it appears that the Russian officer entered the Golden Gate with the intention of putting the Lena again in fighting trim, he will be ordered to dismantle the ship and must remain in the harbor until the war ends. In other words, the harbors of the United States are not to be used as navy yards by any foreign power.

President Roosevelt has ordered the Lena to be thoroughly inspected by the chief engineer of Admiral Goodrich's fleet and the United States steamboat inspectors at San Francisco. Until their report is received no drastic action will be taken. If the report shows that the Lena's boilers and engines can be repaired within a reasonable time, the Russian commander will be told to go ahead and have the work done. If the inspectors find that drydocking is necessary and the work of repair will consume weeks or months, the Lena must be dismantled and detained. Should the Russian commander refuse to dismantle his ship on receiving orders to that effect, he will be required to leave the harbor within the customary time limit of twenty-four hours.

On the arrival of the Lena considerable anxiety was felt in San Francisco by the merchant marine of that port, as it was felt that the Russian cruiser had come with the purpose of waylaying any ship leaving port for Japan.

The Russian commander of the boat desired time to make sufficient repairs to his boilers, which were then inspected and the above decision was made by the President on receipt of the inspection report.

San Francisco, Cal.—It seems certain from latest developments in the case of the Russian cruiser that the Lena will have to be dismantled here. This decision was reached by the experts here after a careful examination of the Lena's boilers by Captain John K. Bulger, United States inspector of hulls and boilers. Admiral Goodrich's fleet engineer reported the day before that six weeks would probably be ample time for putting the boilers in serviceable condition, but he did not make the careful and detailed inspection that Captain Bulger made. Although Captain Bulger will not talk it is understood from an authoritative source that he has reported that the boilers are in such bad condition that it would be folly to attempt to patch them up in a few weeks. Either extensive repairs must be made, which would require months, or new boilers must be put in. In either case the work could not be done under the neutrality laws, for it would mean converting a disabled ship into an effective cruiser. According to Captain Bulger's report the cruiser would be taking great risks in attempting to cross the Pacific at this season with hastily patched up boilers. It is understood that the officers and men of the Lena will be glad to have the vessel dismantled, as they know she could not hold her own against even a small Japanese ship. Collector Stratton sent the inspector's report to Washington with his official approval.

It is reported here that Consul-General Uyeno, of Japan, received a sharp reprimand from the Japanese Minister in Washington because of the dictatorial tone in which he demanded the right to inspect the Lena. Local Japanese are still greatly excited over the presence of the Lena. The editor of the Japanese paper waits in the early morning for the first editions of the local newspapers, and then makes up his journal from their news. In the windows of Japanese shops bulletins are posted giving in Japanese the latest news of the Lena case. If Admiral Goodrich had not posted guards over the cruiser, patriotic Japanase would have blown the vessel out of the water, as they are greatly incensed against her for trying to secure a haven in this harbor.

Killed in Railroad Crash.

One passenger was killed and several persons were hurt by one special Knights Templar train from San Francisco, Cal., running down another special near Laughton Springs, Nev., on the Southern Pacific.

RUSSIAN GENERAL TAKEN

Lieutenant General Sassulitch Reported Captured With 3000 Men.

JAPANESE ARE MOVING RAPIDLY

Little Information of an Official Source Has Been Received, But It is Believed That Indications Point to a Winter Campaign — Chinese Officials at Mukden Break With Russia.

London, England. — The Morning Post states that official Russian dispatches received in London announce that Lieutenant-General Sassulitch, who commanded the portion of the Russian rear guard south of the Hun River, has been severely wounded and captured with 3000 out of his 5000 men.

It is added by the Morning Post that Generals Zaroubaieff, Kondratovitch and Bilderling have checked General Kuroki's advance.

A correspondent of the Daily Mail who was with the Japanese army repeats, in a telegram from Tien-Tsin, the report that Lieutenant-General Linevitch, with 50,000 men, invaded Northeastern Korea and cut General Kuroki's communications with Feng-wang-Cheng.

St. Petersburg, Russia. — The Birzhevlya Viedomosti's correspondent at Tie Pass telegraphs to his paper as follows:

"The Japanese, who had been accused of moving forward slowly, are now advancing very rapidly.

"Little avails the Russian increase of troops, for the Japanese are receiving reinforcements from Niu-Chwang.

"The initiative will remain in the hands of the Japanese, and their tactics will always be repeated."

A dispatch has been received from Lieutenant-General Sakharoff reporting that no large Japanese force has been seen north of the branch railroad to Yen-Tai, but that south of it there are many large camps of Japanese.

The three armies of Marquis Oyama are reported to have united north of the Tai-Tse River.

A Russian correspondent telegraphs that General Kuroki has fallen back on Yen-Tai, but he points out that previous experience has shown that when the Japanese withdrew from the Russian front this usually was the precursor of their appearance on the Russian flank.

The correspondent thinks that the indications point to a winter campaign. Moreover, he says, there remain two full months, the best of the year, for campaigning.

Unofficial information tends to confirm the reports that General Kuropatkin is withdrawing the bulk of his army northward from Mukden. The best unofficial opinion is that Kuropatkin does not contemplate making a serious stand at Mukden.

A Russian correspondent at the front considers it to be extremely significant that the Chinese officials at Mukden have already broken off relations with the Russians. The chief of the Chinese officials says he has received orders from the Japanese to pay the taxes to them.

MAINE AGAIN REPUBLICAN.

Plurality of Over 30,000, But Less Than in 1900.

Portland, Me.—The Republicans exceeded their expectations in the State election in carrying the State for William T. Cobb, of Rockland, the candidate for Governor, by a plurality of about 30,000 over Cyrus W. Davis, of Waterville, his Democratic opponent.

Complete returns will not be received for several days, but 300 out of 522 cities, towns and plantations give Cobb, 59,075; Davis, 38,309. The same places in 1900 gave Hill (Rep.), 51,707; Lord (Dem.), 29,302. These returns show a Republican gain of about fifteen per cent., and a Democratic gain of about thirty-one per cent. over 1900.

The vote for Governor will probably be the largest since 1888.

MANEUVRES AT DIJON OPENED.

German Attache Attends For First Time Since Franco-Prussian War.

Paris, France.—The grand maneuvres opened at Dijon with 60,000 men engaged in an attack and defense similar to Garibaldi's operations against Germans in 1870. There was a continuous roar of cannon during the attempt to take the defenses of Dijon.

The Russian milatry attache, who attended the maneuvres, was received with shouts of "Long live Russia!" A German attache attended the manuevres for the first time since the Franco-Prussian War.

Trouble in New Guinea.

Ten German Catholic missionaries were murdered by natives in German New Guinea. There was a plot to kill all the whites. Sixteen natives were executed.

Engagement in Uruguay.

Another severe engagement is reported to have taken place in Uruguay, the Government troops being defeated. The situation in Paraguay remains unchanged.

Princess Louise Examined.

Princess Louise of Coburg has gone to the house of an expert alienist in Paris to be examined for her sanity.

KILLED IN FLORIDA FEUD

Bloody Battle in Front of a House at Night.

First Engagement Was on a Train—Both Parties Arm Followers in Private War—Troops Called Out.

Baxter, Fla. — The Duncan-Altman feud, which began in a fight on a train the other day, led to a battle in which two more men were killed and over half a dozen were wounded.

The State authorities sent Wilson's Battery, of Jacksonville, to the scene of hostilities. It arrived at 5 o'clock, and has gone into camp.

The battle resulted from an attack on the house of William Duncan, which has been garrisoned nightly by a posse since the outbreak of the disorder. In the number was Deputy Sheriff Thrift.

Suddenly and without warning there were as many as twenty-five shots from rifles and pistols fired at the house. The deputy called on his posse to assist him, and as they came from the house there was another volley of shots.

Thrift was standing in front of the house. He was shot and lived but a few moments.

The others returned the fire and killed Ellis Dowling, a member of the Altman faction. The mob withdrew to the home of the Altmans, where they are ready to resist any attempt at arrest.

More than a half dozen were wounded, but their names cannot be obtained.

It was in response to an appeal by law-abiding citizens that Wilson's Battery was sent here, arriving on a special train about 5 o'clock. The troops have cordoned their camp with sentries.

The Altman faction is hostile to the troops, saying the soldiers have been sent here to uphold the Duncans. Governor Jennings is not in the State, and the troops were sent here by the Speaker of the House, Cromwell Gibson, who is Acting Governor in the absence of Jennings.

Shortly before dark Sheriff Herndon and his posse brought in seven prisoners of the Altman faction. These men are stretched out on the floor of a shanty under guard of the Live Oak Rifles, the Wilson Battery of Artillery and the Sheriff's posse.

There are eleven others of the Altman feudists. The men who were sent to see them have just returned and report that they have agreed to surrender themselves, and will come in voluntarily and give themselves up.

The Duncans, who are large turpentine operators, and the Altmans, who maintain a general store at Baxter, have been in a quarrel for months. The majority of the people in this section of Baxter County took sides with the Altmans, as the Duncans had made enemies in their turpentine operations.

Although the quarrel was a bitter one no overt act occurred until the Duncans with a number of their negro employes boarded an excursion train on the Georgia Southern and Florida. The Altmans and several of their friends were on board and a quarrel soon arose.

The Altmans stabbed a Duncan negro to death, and when the Duncans interfered the Altmans killed James Duncan. The fight became general, and the train was turned into a shambles.

This riot occurred just over the Georgia line, and for that reason Sheriff Herndon, of Baker County, refused to arrest the alleged slayers of Duncan and the negro. Since then Baxter and the surrounding county have been divided into two hostile camps.

CONSUL REMOVED FROM OFFICE.

Roosevelt Acts on Charges and Recalls Consul McWade.

Oyster Bay, N. Y.—President Roosevelt ordered the indictment of McWade, United States Consul at Canton, China, on general charges of extortion and of issuing fraudulent certificates to Chinese immigrants.

Complaints and charges against McWade have been reaching the State Department for about a year. Several months ago Secretary Hay sent Assistant Secretary Pierce to the Orient to investigate. On his return Mr. Pierce made a report unfavorable to McWade.

A temporary successor will be appointed immediately.

WILL PAY OUT $31,000,000.

Royal Bank of Canada Cuba's Agent in Paying Soldiers.

New York City.—It was announced in Wall Street that the Royal Bank of Canada in Havana has been selected by the Cuban Government to disburse $31,000,000, recently raised by a bond issue, to the soldiers of the revolution. It is said that about $10,000,000 of the claims have passed into the hands of speculators in the United States.

The disbursement will be made in Havana, Santiago and other Cuban cities.

The recent heavy shipments of gold from the United States to Cuba were to provide the bank with funds to meet the warrants.

To Pay Cuban Claims.

President Palma has set October 1 for the beginning of the payment of one-half of the claims of the Cuban revolutionary forces.

To Increase German Army.

The German Government will ask the Reichstag to increase the army, probably by 30,000 or 40,000 men.

Oiled Japanese Paper.

Their oiled papers are astonishingly cheap and durable. As a cover for his load of tea when a rainstorm overtakes him the Japanese farmer spreads over it a tough, pliable cover of oiled paper, which is almost as impervious as tarpaulin and as light as gossamer. He has doubtless carried this cover for years, neatly packed away somewhere about his cart. The "rikisha" coolies in the larger cities wear rain manties of this oiled paper, which cost less than eighteen cents and last for a year or more with constant use. An oiled tissue paper, which is as tough as writing paper, can be had at the stationer's for wrapping up delicate articles.

In the tea factories the piles of paper sacks filled with tea are made of shibu gami. It is said that these tanned sacks keep the tea in better condition than any other sort, and that they last, with careful use, for many years. Grain and meal sacks are almost always made of this same paper in Japan, for it is not easily penetrated by weevils and other insects.

But perhaps the most remarkable of all the papers which find a common use in the Japanese household are the leather papers of which the tobacco pouches and pipe cases are made. They are almost as tough as French kid, so translucent that one can nearly see through them, and as pliable and soft as calfskin. These tobacco pouches quite change one's notions of the characteristics of paper, for the material of which they are made is as thick as carboard, but as flexible as kid.—Geographic Magazine.

He Had Had More Time.

Two small boys at the newsboys' dinner, says the New York Sun, put their grimy hands side by side upon the table-cloth.

"Mine's dirtier'n yourn!" exclaimed one, triumphantly.

"Huh!" said the other, disdainfully. "You're two years older'n me."

A Headache Remedy.

It may interest many of your readers at this season to know that the troublesome "shooting headache" may be avoided by the insertion of a tuft of cotton wool in the ears. It softens the violence of the concussion upon the tympanum.—Letter in London Mail.

Polite Chinamen consider it a breach of etiquette to wear spectacles in company. N. Y.—39

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Pittsburg has already expended $25,000,000 in the skyscraper boom.

A Fertile Mind is Invaluable

In a household, and all hands instinctively turn to the person possessing such accomplishment in an emergency when anything out of the usual routine is under consideration. The next best thing to having "everything at one's fingers' ends," as the expression runs, is to have a book full of hints and suggestions which may be turned to instantly. It is to meet just such a want that the Book Publishing House, 134 Leonard street, New York City, is offering to send postpaid a book of 189 pages for the sum of twenty-five cents in stamps. It is filled with hints, suggestions and recipes, so that one wonders a person could have thought of so many subjects and covered the ground so thoroughly. Send for a copy. Show it to your neighbor, and she will want one, also, it is so useful.

Telegraph poles along a railway are arranged thirty to the mile.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

"The Man in the Street."

The London Daily News has discovered what a good many Americans may have forgotten, that the popular phrase, "the man in the street," comes from Emerson. It occurs in "The Conduct of Life," in the section on "Worship." Speaking of the movement to repeal the corn laws in England, Emerson goes on: "'Well,' says the man in the street, Cobden got a stipend out of it.'"

A QUICK RECOVERY.

A Prominent Officer of the Rebeccas Writes to Thank Doan's Kidney Pills For It.

Mrs. C. E. Bumgardner, a local officer of the Rebeccas, of Topeka, Kans., Room 10, 812 Kansas avenue, writes: "I used Doan's Kidney Pills during the past year, for kidney trouble and kindred ailments. I was suffering from pains in the back and headaches, but found after the use of one box of the remedy that the troubles gradually disappeared, so that before I had finished a second package I was well. I, therefore, heartily endorse your remedy." (Signed) MRS. C. E. BUMGARDNER.

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"I doctored for about five years but did not seem to improve. I began the use of your medicine, and have taken seven bottles of **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound,** three of Blood Purifier, and also used the Sanative Wash and Liver Pills, and am now enjoying good health, and have gained in flesh. I thank you very much for what you have done for me, and heartily recommend your medicine to all suffering women."—MISS EMMA SNYDER, 218 East Center St., Marion, Ohio.

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EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Sept. 25: "City Evangelization and Home Missions."—Acts viii, 4-8.

Work We Can Do.

When a soul finds salvation through faith in Christ he at once gets interested in bringing some one else to the Master for salvation.

This is a gracious direction of the natural desire for companionship. It is of the same nature as the love which brought the blessed Christ to earth to seek and save us lost ones. The source of this impulse is the Holy Spirit. This is the inspiration of all missionary effort. It makes the feet of a Paul tireless as he tramps the wilds in perils of robbers or city streets in peril of false brethren. It puts courage now in the heart of the worker for Christ wherever his lot may be cast.

Philip preached in the city of Samaria. This shows that the grace of God had conquered in him the almost inveterate prejudice with which a Jew regarded the whole race of Samaritans. It also showed the power of the gospel to overcome the superstition and abominable practices of the cultivated and fashionable heathen as well as the ignorant and outcast.

We are face to face today with similar conditions. Mission work is needed in heathen lands all over the earth. It is no less needed in all the cities of our own land. Colonies of immigrants from many countries are settling in our cities. They do not come, as did the early settlers of the country, with high moral purpose and quenchless love for spiritual liberty. They do not come with purpose to make a land of Christian freedom. They can by no means be called the vanguard of religious enlightenment.

But they come to stay and make this their homeland even though it be not fatherland. They are to help form the future society and determine the destiny of the nation. Because of what they have come from they are able to appreciate the privileges of this free land as few of the native born can do. They become faithful defenders of the republic. No more enthusiastic patriotism can be found than among their children. They appreciate what they have here found.

They need the pure gospel of Jesus as much as they needed the privileges of this land of liberty. Unless evangelized speedily they become an element of great danger in our life as a people. It is extremely doubtful if the institutions of the republic can be maintained permanently unless these people, as well as ourselves, possess enlightenment and integrity.

More important than this is the fate of the kingdom of God in the world. These have been brought to our doors. They need the pure gospel. We have the means with which to meet that need. What hope that we shall retain our salvation if we neglect to evangelize them?

One of the most pressing problems of the present time is this of reaching the unevangelized people of the cities and neglected countryside. This work cannot be done efficiently single handed. The church is awakening to the necessity for comprehensive plans and devoted prosecution of such plans.

What can we do individually?

Become intelligent as to the existing conditions and needs by reading and investigation as opportunity offers. Be interested to help in every way possible to remedy the evils. Pray fervently and constantly for the direction and blessing of God on the work and workers. Give of your time and cash for the work and talk it up where it will do good.

Without God.

Without God heaven would be no heaven. With Him heaven is not first a locality, but wherever one is in His presence there is the heavenly life—not heaven in its fullness, but the first elements of the heavenly life. In entering, then, into His presence here and now amid our daily common interests we have entered into a spiritual kingdom where, so far as we live in sympathy with it, there is perfect spiritual harmony; where there is no law of compulsion, but the perfect service is the perfect freedom; where the will of the one great loving Spirit is evidently so reasonable, so just and so true that any one who is in sympathy with the heavenly life acts in harmony with it as if it were his own will.—Bishop Lawrence.

Obtaining Human Sympathy.

It is not necessary to explain away the divinity of Christ to obtain from Him the human sympathy we need. We but rob ourselves of the infinite help there is for us in the all wisdom and all power of His divine nature. Sympathy is of little use that is helpless in the presence of human weakness and grief. Jesus wept, but He also brought the dead to life. Such a result was infinitely better than mere tears.—Philadelphia Methodist.

As Far as You Can.

There is welcome and rest in the home above
Waiting you
Who live in the world the gospel of love,
Ever true.
The limbs may be weary, the soul grown faint
And the skies of life all gray,
But reach up as far as you can to God;
He'll reach down the rest of the way.

Oh, you in the terror, the night of sin
And despair,
Turn, turn back to heaven! Cry still "Let me in!"
Kneel in prayer!
For you is the gleam of the morning star,
For you the bright dawn of day;
If you reach up as far as you can to God,
He'll reach down the rest of the way.

There is mercy for you and mercy for me,
If we will;
If Christ alone be our hope and plea,
Mercy still.
Oh, wondrous compassion, though creatures of dust,
Why fear we to trust and pray?
When we reach up as far as we can to God,
He'll reach down the rest of the way.

—Beatrice Clayton.

A Unique Button Badge.

The Broome county (N. Y.) union for one of its annual conventions conceived the idea of this unique button badge. The kindly face of the founder of Christian Endeavor looking out from it gave it a large value as a souvenir, and every delegate was careful to register in order to secure the button, which could not be had in any other way. This mention may suggest to other unions to "go and do likewise."

The Christian Endeavor Animal.

The little stuffed kangaroo which had decorated the Australian table was placed upon the speaker's desk on the platform in the evening, and he seemed to cock his ears, listening to all that was said. I mentioned in my address that some animals could run and others walk and birds could fly, but the kangaroo was the only animal so far as I knew that went forward by "leaps and bounds." But Christian Endeavor was going forward by "leaps and bounds" in Australia, and it fitly typified their movement. Thereupon they presented me with the kangaroo, which has already been sent to Boston, and we adopted it on the spot with great applause as the Christian Endeavor animal.—"The Building of a Commonwealth," by Francis E. Clark, D. D.

The Rest of Heaven.

In contrast with the earth's weariness heaven smiles upon us, a place of rest. "They rest from their labors" is the first element of that celestial blessedness. Toil of body, mind and heart, toil against sin and self and Satan—these are changed to spontaneous, unwearied, invigorating exercises of soul and spirit. The lower services in which we may then engage are infinitely easier than the easiest we here perform. No play on earth is so delightful as the meanest work of heaven.—Bishop Gilbert Haven.

Australian Endeavor.

The Australasian union was formed in 1893 and is a very active organization, holding conventions that are acknowledged to be the greatest religious gatherings ever held in the southern hemisphere.—Irish Endeavorer.

India's New Paper.

India has a new Endeavor paper, Masihi Karigai, which is the nearest equivalent for "Christian Endeavor." It will be published in Urdu and Hindi and devoted to the interests of Christian Endeavor in the united provinces. —London Christian.

The Value of Conventions.

There can be no doubt as to the value of such gatherings as the great Christian Endeavor conventions. They bring together picked workers from the churches, the brightest and best and most devoted souls. The simple fact of such a coming into touch with hundreds of consecrated lives must mean untold blessing.

We labor in our little corner of the field. Our view is necessarily narrow. We are busy with our difficulties and problems. We often grow dull and discouraged. To rub against other workers who have met these same obstacles and conquered them, who have seen glorious results in the work of the gospel, and to see the glow and feel the throb of their enthusiasm, always sends us back with new grit and fresh power.

The matter of methods is an important one. Perhaps we have worn out the old ways of doing things. In some other field they have learned to do the same old work in new ways. To know these will make our service for Christ far more effective.—Rev. Edwin Forrest Hallenbeck, D. D.

Enthusiasm In Mission Lands.

Into whatever mission land I go I find the same spirit, the same enthusiasm and the same overmastering motive of love to Christ as are found in English speaking lands. Not a single country has been found or a single evangelical denomination where if the genuine principles of Christian Endeavor have been faithfully applied they do not bring forth the same fruits of acknowledgment of Christ, service for Christ, fellowship with Christ's people and loyalty to Christ's church. In all the mission lands I have visited I found Endeavor societies doing all kinds of mission work, some sending contributions to the land that gave the society its birth.—F. E. Clark.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Prayer Meeting Topic For the Week Beginning Sept. 25.

Topic.—Cheering facts about missions from Japan and Korea.—Zech. xiv, 3-9, 20.

The prophecy of Zechariah, used as the topical reference, predicts the worldwide spread of the kingdom of God: "And it shall be in that day that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem, half of them toward the former [eastern] sea and half of them toward the hinder [western] sea, * * * and the Lord shall be King over all the earth. In that day shall there be one Lord and His name one." This prophecy is rapidly being fulfilled. Christ's kingdom has extended to the west until all of what may be called the western part of the world has heard of Him and has largely acknowledged His kingship. The west having been won for Christ, the cross is now being carried to the east. The oriental countries—India, China, Japan, Korea, Burma and Siam—are being told of the world's Saviour, and many are responding to His claims upon them.

Nowhere in the east is the gospel advancing more satisfactorily than in Japan and Korea. The news from these fields has always been cheering, but never more so than today. In Japan there are a number of signs of the increasing power and influence of Christianity and Christian civilization. (1) The success of Japan in the war with China is an evidence of the advance in Japan as a result of its contact with occidental civilization; (2) the Anglo-Japanese alliance of a year ago is significant, since it is the first alliance between an oriental and non-Christian nation with a European and Christian nation; (3) the influences of the great revival of two years ago are still being felt; it has extended to Formosa, which now belongs to Japan, and hundreds there have been led to Christ.

In Korea the effect of the war between Japan and Russia is not, of course, very favorable to the advance of Christ's kingdom, and yet there is no movement backward. Koreans have always been kindly disposed toward the gospel, and their interest is by no means on the wane, even in these days of battles and rumors of battles. Additions to the church on confession of faith, while not so large as in recent years, are yet considerable. The number of catechumens, however, has been largely increased, which is a most favorable sign. New schools are being established all over the country, and large numbers of people are receiving instruction in special Bible classes. New chapels are constantly being built by native Christians, and thus Korea is being won for Christ.

BIBLE READINGS.

Isa. xxxv, 1-10; lii, 7; Nah. i, 15; Ps. lxxii, 1-20; Mal. iv, 1-3; Matt. xiii, 31-33; xxviii, 19, 20; Acts i, 1-12; Rom. x, 14, 15; Rev. xxii, 17.

Michigan's President.

Fred W. Chamberlin, for the past two years president of the Michigan state union, began his Christian Endeavor life in that state in 1886. He has been the president of local societies in Detroit, Yonkers, N. Y., and Montclair, N. J. He also served the Montclair Young People's federation as its president and made an enviable record as president of the Detroit Christian Endeavor union for two years. He has splendid executive ability and a great faculty of "making things go."

F. W. CHAMBERLIN.

Four Ideals.

There are four ideals which I know we all have before us in the work of the Endeavor society. One is that we should be centers of Bible study and that each member should be an intelligent and growing Bible student. The second is that we should be centers of personal work and that each member should be active individually in winning others to Christ. The third is that we should be schools of Christian giving and that each member should become a systematic proportionate and joyful giver. And the fourth is that we should be centers of missionary interest and activity from which many missionaries would go out to the home and foreign fields and many workers develop missionary interest in the home church.—Robert E. Speer.

More Beautiful.

A doctrine lived is more beautiful than a doctrine preached. Jesus taught His disciples to forgive men their trespasses and that was beautiful, but when upon the cross He prayed, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do," that was sublime. If we are not all called to preach, we are at least called to adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things, and that is better than mere preaching.—Moravian.

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God's Work.

God works in you to will. He does not work to make you feel, because feeling ends in smoke so often. God does not work in you to think, because you think and think again. But God works in you to will. That is, there rises up in your heart a desire which becomes at last a purpose to be free.—F. B. Meyer.

Ohio Aggressiveness.

The Ohio state union sends out the following about convention advertising:

"A somewhat wide experience brings us to the conclusion that the difference between a large and a small attendance is very often a matter of advertising. Fix your date and place early as you can, get at your programme and then—advertise! Don't take it for granted people know about it because you do. You are interested, of course. But they won't be, they can't be, till they know about it. Personal letters, frequent and full notices in the societies and from the pulpits, the local and county papers—all will help. Make up your mind your convention will be a success, if energetic and enthusiastic advertising will do it. We would not depreciate the other essential elements of a successful convention; but, whatever you do, don't fail to advertise!

"Early to bed
And early to rise,"
Push your pen
And advertise!

The Increase Campaign.

Do not stop working the increase campaign while there is a single church of a denomination favorable to Christian Endeavor that has not an Endeavor Society.—Amos R. Wells.

In Turkey.

Turkey has seventy-five societies, in spite of Turkish oppression, which will not allow constitutions to be signed, badges to be worn or even the word "society" to be used. The Caesarea society was obliged at one time to burn its records.—Irish Endeavorer.

For Every Young Person.

A true society of Christian Endeavor should reach every young person in the community, either through its active membership or its associate membership.—Dr. Clark.

Tithing.

A recent poll of the members of the society in the Central Presbyterian church of New York city showed that 95 per cent of the members gave one-tenth or more of their income for benevolence.

A Hope.

Every day is a fresh beginning,
Every morn is the world made new;
You who are weary of sorrow and sinning
Here is a beautiful hope for you,
A hope for me and a hope for you.

—Susan Coolidge.

Like Him.

It is the spirit of that life to which we should attain. It is not by saying Christ's words or by doing Christ's acts, but it is by breathing His Spirit that we become like Him.—F. W. Robertson.

In Many Tongues.

The Christian Endeavor pledge has been translated and printed in more than fifty languages to the extent of more than fifty millions of copies.

Substantial Religion.

I will not quarrel with you about opinions. Only see that your heart is right toward God, that you know and love the Lord Jesus Christ, that you love your neighbor and walk as your Master walked, and I desire no more. I am sick of opinions, I am weary to hear them. Give me solid and substantial religion; give me a humble, gentle lover of God and man, a man full of mercy and good fruits, a man laying out himself in the work of faith, the patience of hope, the labor of love. Let my soul be with these Christians, wheresoever they are and whatsoever opinions they are of. Whosoever thus doeth the will of my Father in heaven, the same is my brother and sister.—John Wesley.

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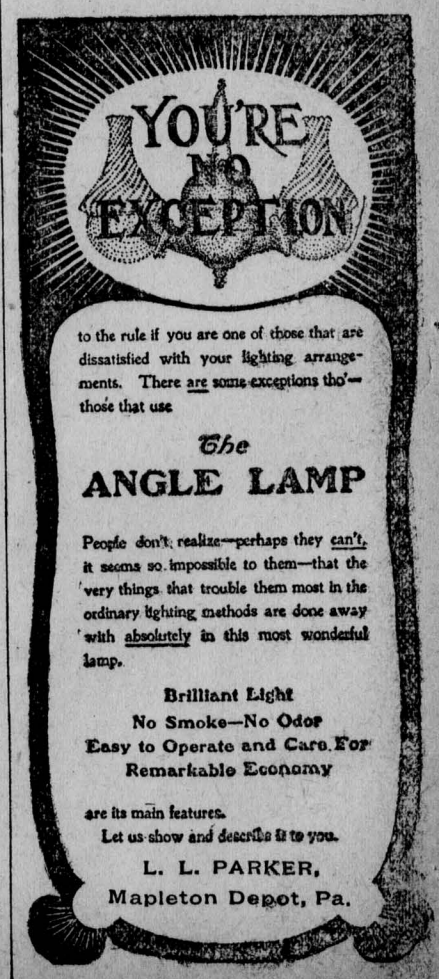
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